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Man's condition worsens as blood shortage continues

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

A Lochlin woman is urging people to donate blood to help her terminally ill husband and others like him whose suffering has been made even worse by one of the most severe blood shortages to ever hit the province.

Robert McDonald was diagnosed with leukemia in mid-May and has since been fighting a continual battle to get enough blood from hospitals to replace what he has lost through hemorrhaging.

"He's losing it every day," said his wife, Carol Peacock. "His hemoglobin count is below the critical level. He's passing out. He's very weak... He's having a hard time breathing because of the lack of blood."

The Red Cross is in the midst of "an extremely critical blood shortage," said Marianne

Clarke, who organizes donor clinics across Central Ontario.

"Basically, it's never been so low," she said Friday.

The lack of blood has forced hospitals to cancel some elective surgery, including transplants, and cancer and cardiac surgery.

And seriously ill patients, such as 58-year-old McDonald, have been left traipsing from hospital to hospital in a desperate and often fruitless hunt for blood.

On Wednesday, doctors told McDonald there would be two units of blood for him at St. Joseph's Hospital in Peterborough, said his wife.

But by the time the couple arrived from Haliburton, the blood was gone.

From Peterborough, they travelled to Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay. Hospital staff there first suggested they try a hospi-

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For information on Haliburton blood donor clinic, see pg 9

Portable move angers Glamorgan trustee

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

An angry school board trustee walked out of a board meeting suddenly Tuesday night after a majority of his colleagues voted to move a portable from Gooderham Elementary School to the high school.

Glamorgan trustee Craig Pettit argued the portable is a vital component at the small school, where it is used as a special education room, indoor activity space and storage room.

Transporting the portable from Gooderham to Haliburton Highlands Secondary School simply transfers the high school's space problems to the elementary school, Pettit maintained.

But other trustees defended their decision, saying they had to give priority to the largest group of students that would be affected.

Gooderham's public school has the equivalent of 52 full-time students.

Administrators estimate enrollment at the high school will rise by the equivalent of 23 full-time students in September.

But the school, which has seen its expansion plans frozen by the province, has no vacant classrooms.

Before making their decision, trustees looked at a number of proposals to help the school deal with its space squeeze:

- Buying a new portable at a cost of roughly \$25,000 was

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CANADA DAY COMES FIRST: West Guilford always throws a wonderful birthday party for Canada, and Monday's celebration was no exception. On such a hot day, Alana Woodcock and Jaime Bilodeau needed little persuasion to take part in the water races. We'll have more Canada Day photos next week.

Skeletons in the closet

School of Fine Art goes to great lengths to please

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

"Yes, hello. Ummm, I was wondering if you happen to have a skeleton in your closet?"

Shelley Schell is lucky no one hung up on her as she telephoned across the province trying to find someone with a skeleton to share. She wasn't prying into other people's private lives, just trying to get her

hands on a skeleton for one of the life (or death?) drawing courses at the Haliburton School of Fine Arts.

Such are the fascinating little quirks of her job helping to pull together all the thousands of little threads which are woven together every summer to make a tapestry of artistic talent.

By last week, 2,641 people had signed up for the 250+ courses that Sir Sandford

Fleming College is offering this summer, primarily at the high school and the Haliburton campus. Last year a total of 2,829 students enrolled in the various courses, and Schell expects to meet or exceed that number by the time the next six weeks are over. (The School is also offering fall courses this year, but that's another story.)

Many things have been credited to the school's success. See ALMOST page 2

Dorset a busy place this summer

There's lots happening at the Dorset Recreation Centre this month: Bring your instrument and join the fun with local musicians Michael Ketemer and John Etches on July 5 at 8 p.m. Cost is \$1 per person. On July 10, there's an evening with wildlife biologist and local resident Mike Buss, who will take you on a photographic journey to Eskimo Point, NWT, as part of a cultural exchange with a group of Inuit Youth. It starts at 7:30 p.m. and the cost is \$1. On July 24th from 7 to 9 p.m. you can join the Haliburton and Huntsville clubs of the Historical Automobile Society for an evening of fun looking at classic cars and listening to the golden oldies. There will be a BBQ with proceeds of hot dog and pop sales going to the rec centre. Other than the bbq, the evening is free. The Centre is also offering a new red cross swimming program called Aqua Quest for children aged 4-12. Sessions begin July 2. And finally, once again the centre is holding its summer day camp from Monday to Friday with weekly, daily and half day rates and a 20% sibling discount. For more information call Melissa at 705-766-9968.

The Haliburton Highlands Literacy Centre has changed its name to better reflect its expanding role in the community. It is now called the Haliburton Highlands Learning Program and the motto is "where literacy and learning go hand and hand." One thing that remains the

check out Trent's Web site at <http://www.trentu.ca/admin/jbc>.

Dr. Kenneth Hadley, who had a full-time optometry practice in Haliburton village from 1979 to 1985, was recently honoured with the Distinguished Teacher Award for the 1995-96 academic year for his work as Assistant Director of the Waterloo University School of Optometry Eye Clinic. Dr. Hadley's parents, Jean and Charlie Hadley, live in Haliburton County.

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

same, however, is the need for volunteer and community support. For instance, anyone interested in helping with the sale of bookmarks on July 26 is asked to call the office at 457-3430. As well, does anyone have a pencil sharpener that can be mounted on the wall or desk to donate?

Trent University has just released a new part-time studies calendar outlining a variety of courses offered during days and evenings between September 1996 and April 1997. New students going to Trent part-time have to register by Aug. 15. Copies of the brochure are available at Trent's part-time studies office in Blackburn Hall. For information about courses, admission policy and registration, call (705) 748-1229 or



IT'S THE DELICIOUS SEASON AGAIN: Amelia Ambridge of Eagle Lake was one of the hundreds of people who enjoyed Camp Wanakita's annual Strawberry Supper last Sunday.

Almost 3,000 artists to take courses

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ed for the School's success, but perhaps the most important is the attention to detail. Whether it's finding a skeleton or taking a student with a cut finger to the hospital and nursing them through the stitches or going to the bank to cash the cheque of a student who's too immersed in their painting to get there before closing time, the School is very client-oriented. For six weeks of the staff's lives, the students come first. What the students want, they'll get, and most often that very same day.

"It's fun - it's like a summer camp atmosphere," says Schell, who despite the hard work, finds her job invigorating. Students and teachers from past years arrive and it's a chance to get caught up on news and personal happenings. The people who attend the School are happy to be there - so happy there is a waiting list of 190 people.

The list of courses is usually mailed March 1, and the Haliburton campus gets dozens of calls before that asking "is the brochure out yet, is the brochure out yet?" As soon as the brochures are on their way to the post office, registration can begin. Many students enroll as soon as possible, knowing courses can be fully booked within days.

Popular courses include watercolour painting, pottery and willow furniture making, but there's also great demand to find out how to paint floor clothes or blow your own glass. A course on "painting with the right hand side of the brain" has long been sold out.

"It's amazing," Schell says of the rush to book courses. What's even more unique about the School of Fine Arts is that teachers sign up for other teachers' courses. Now that's a vote of confidence.

College staff work hard on keeping track of art trends so they can always offer something new and different. No matter how esoteric a course may seem, there's usually a class-full of potential students. Some come from all corners of the country, and of course cottagers have long made the School part of their summers.

So in the next few weeks, when you're driving along county roads, watch out for painters. The School doesn't need any more skeletons.

Heart attack likely cause of accident fatality

A Minden man has died in a single car accident on the Bobcaygeon Road.

Police said a car driven by Mattias Joseph Dougherty, 73, was travelling

north on the Bobcaygeon Road last Wednesday, when it drove off the right side of the road and hit a pine tree.

Although further inquiries are still

to be carried out, police said it is believed Mr Dougherty suffered a heart attack just prior to the accident.

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Minden council fights to keep OPP where it is

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

The amalgamation of Minden and Coboconk OPP detachments has drawn strong opposition from Anson, Hindon and Minden council.

The OPP is moving its administrative operations from Minden to Coboconk and is considering a move from its current Minden address to government-owned premises across the road.

Police Central Region Chief Superintendent Bill Hutton told The Echo earlier this month the same number of police will continue to patrol the county, regardless of the changes.

Minden resident Al Mayo last week asked council to officially oppose the relocation.

"Hopefully Minden will take the lead in trying to bring back the OPP," Mayo said. "We've got to fight for our town and our county."

Mayo said he would also be seeking to have county council's support in the fight. "It's everybody's problem."

AHM Reeve Jeanne Anthon

said council had been working with the Solicitor-General's office for months to resolve the issue. Council had also spoken to MPP Chris Hodgson, who was "trying to be reassuring and said Haliburton County won't be left without a detachment".

"If we don't fight for it, nothing will happen. It will simply disappear," Mayo said. "We want the people of Haliburton County to have proper coverage."

"I'm concerned about it because I don't want Minden to become a ghost town and certainly we want people in Haliburton County to have proper coverage."

Mayo said the most logical step is for the OPP detachment to remain in the building it currently occupies.

Council resolved to strongly object to the decision to amalgamate the Minden and Coboconk OPP detachments, and to house it at Coboconk. It will request that the decision be reviewed and that an OPP detachment supplying services to the County of Haliburton be immediately reinstated, with headquarters in Minden.

"We've got to fight for our town and our county," Al Mayo urged council



CROSSING THE GREAT DIVIDE: Letter-to-the-Editor writers Jean and Geoff Hutchinson, foreground, and Alex and Cecile McLeod, background, have long complained about the fence between the IGA and Valumart stores in Haliburton. They, and other shoppers, were delighted on Friday to discover that a walking path had been created. Their letter of thanks is on page 10.

Blood shortage becomes critical

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tal in Kingston, but finally gave him a single unit of blood.

"We had to beg and get very nasty with the hospital to get it," said Peacock.

Each day the Red Cross should have 1,455 units of blood in its reserves to accommodate the needs of 61 hospitals. A shortage is considered critical when supplies dip below 1,100 units.

A week ago the Red Cross had just 684 units of blood available. But after a number of successful donor clinics on Thursday, the supply had climbed to 1,095 units.

"But that's still below the critical line," said Clarke. "... Just because we had one successful day of clinics, doesn't mean we're in the clear."

"If we want to keep the blood bank in the black then people are going to have to take the responsibility to come forward and give blood."

Organizers are hoping to collect about 180 units of blood at a clinic on Tuesday, July 9 at the Haliburton Legion from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. They are urging all healthy individuals between the ages of 17 and 70 to donate blood.

In the meantime, Peacock has called Victoria-Haliburton MPP Chris Hodgson's office to see whether he can influence the Red Cross to send a larger blood supply to hospitals in this area.

"We've got to try to get some more blood flowing here in Haliburton County," she said.

Job finding club puts unemployed back into workforce

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Most job seekers taking part in a local employment search program have been able to land themselves back in the workforce, says the employment counsellor running the workshops.

Since January, the Canada Employment Centre in Peterborough has sponsored four three-week job search workshops in Haliburton for recipients of Unemployment

Insurance and Social Assistance.

Diane Mahar, an employment counsellor with the company contracted to run the Job Finding Clubs, says between 67 and 70 per cent of the participants of the first two workshops found employment.

"The jobs people have found have varied," she said. "There's been everything from construction work, to customer service and computers. It's a really broad range."

Final numbers for the third workshop haven't yet been tabu-

lated. But three of the 12 people who began the fourth and final course, which finished May 16, had already found jobs before it ended, said Mahar.

Participants in the Job Finding Club learned techniques to write cover letters, strengthen their resumes and contact employers.

During the second half of the workshop, they use the skills they've picked up in an "intensive job search," said Mahar.

Wilberforce resident Don Rowbottom said the workshop had enabled him to improve his

resume and target it to the field he is trying to enter.

Rowbottom, who has worked for Wilberforce Veneer on and off for the past 10 years, was laid off in September. He is now trying to find a job in a retail store because he enjoys dealing with the public.

He's hoping his new resume and the mock interviews the group worked on will help him find the job he's looking for.

"It's pretty slow right now," he said. "I imagine it's going to pick up soon with the summer

coming."

Nancy Bird of Carnarvon is a qualified Early Childhood Educator. She's been working on a contract-basis at WeeCare since 1994, but recently saw her hours cut back to part-time. She wants to find a permanent, full-time position at a daycare centre.

The workshop gave her the chance to spruce up her resume and sharpen her interviewing techniques, she said.

It's possible the Job Finding Club will be offered again in September, if funding is available.



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Chamber sets its fundraising sights high

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is embarking on two "ambitious" fundraising projects which it hopes will raise at least \$200,000 for the local hospitals — and make the Chamber more self-sufficient at the same time.

But with one of the ventures at least, they Chamber has to raise \$130,000 before it's even possible to begin selling tickets.

The first event is dining and dancing to the big band sounds of the Canadian Tribute to Glenn Miller, a 17-piece orchestra complete with six vocalists. The price for the 160 tickets is \$200 a couple and takes place October 18 at the PineStone.

"Many people want to have a nice dance," Chamber Manager Brian told 12 Chamber members at a special general meeting at PineStone on Thursday night. And they will have an even better evening knowing that after costs are covered, proceeds will be donated to the county hospital fund.

The next event is bigger yet in terms of numbers. The Chamber plans to sell 25,000 tickets on a new Panabode cottage, and if all the tickets are sold, approximately \$200,000 can be donated to the hospital. (Dean had tabulated the net proceeds to be \$244,000 but was told by the Gaming Commission he hadn't included all costs and by Thursday he didn't know the final estimate.)

The Chamber will raise money for itself by charging back its

Raffle for cottage is hoped to bring in \$200,000 for county's hospital projects

labour to the project, which Dean says is commonplace in such circumstances. He's budgeted \$16,600 as these costs.

Five thousand tickets will sold locally at \$20 a ticket (or three for \$50) and an agency will be hired to sell the remaining 20,000 tickets in the Greater Toronto Area. On top of the agency's commission of 10% of gross sales, the Chamber will spend \$52,000 on outside marketing and \$100,000 for the cottage. After asking the five Chamber members who build cottages for a proposal, the Chamber chose Barry Butler of Highland Cedar Homes for the project because of Panabode's additional marketing muscle, Dean said.

The winner will have to supply the land; therefore the cottage can be built anywhere in Ontario.

"If the wind blows well, if the sun shines every day, we're looking at a profit of between \$200,000 and \$240,000," said Dean, who opened the meeting with the comment "tonight we're going to talk about money — raising money and having fun at the same time."

There are a few hitches. Dean says the Chamber's board of directors has given approval to the projects but Chamber President Connie Sims says there are two conditions: changing the letter of patent for the

was approved by the majority of voting members Thursday) and coming up with the \$140,000 the Gaming Commission requires as a letter of credit. The \$140,000 is for the value of the prize plus taxes and Dean says the requirement is a way of reducing the risk involved.

Problem is, the Chamber doesn't have \$140,000 in the bank. "You may ask 'How in the name of God do we raise \$140,000,'" Dean said Thursday. "I'm putting that out to you this evening."

An account has been set up at the Toronto Dominion Bank in Minden and Dean told the members that "if you're so inclined, (the bank) will take personal guarantees."

That is, Chamber members are being asked to pledge their money at the bank. Asked later if they would be paid interest for this, Dean said the Chamber "would be topping up" whatever the bank pays in interest. And the "top up" fee? He said that is

dependent upon "the instruments" people choose to guarantee the money.

He also said there were also "other entities" within the county who or which will help the Chamber reach the \$140,000.

Some members have offered to donate other prizes to the raffle, but have been turned down because more prizes would mean more money would have to be raised as a letter of credit, Dean said.

Many of the final details — such as the contract with the ticket selling agency — have yet to be determined. Dean said two of the agencies the Chamber approached about the raffle said the Highlands project was too small and negotiations are underway with other companies.

Thursday's vote was just to allow the Chamber to change the letter of patent to allow it to raise funds for a charity. The change was approved because although there were only 12 board members plus Dean pre-

sent, a quorum at a general meeting was the number of people in attendance, Dean said.

In a brief question and answer period, one man said the projection of net proceeds was based on selling all 25,000 tickets at \$20 a ticket. What if everyone buys at the special price of three for \$50? Dean said he hadn't tabulated that yet.

Barry Butler was also asked to speak. He said "we're very pleased and honoured the Chamber has chosen us to provide them with the cottage... When a company (like Panabode) has been around for 50 years, they've done something right."

He said it would be 1,060 sq. feet with a deck and landscaping and the model is one which has only been used twice before as a promotion. "I believe it will be a very exciting venture."

Dean agreed. "We've come up with something I feel will do well" and through the selling of tickets in advertisements in the Toronto Sun, television and radio, the profile of the Highlands will be raised.

It's hoped the ticket draw could be held at next spring's Cottage Life Show.

Gooderham portable to be moved to HHSS

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considered too expensive for the cash-strapped board;

• Buying a used portable from another board was ruled out because administrators could not locate one;

• Asking the high school to hold classes in one of its seminar rooms, the cafeteria or in workshops was ruled out because the rooms were considered inadequate.

In the end they were left con-

sidering two options — moving a portable from either Gooderham or Victoria Street School to the high school.

At VSS, like Gooderham, the portable is used for a variety of functions. However, the estimated cost of moving the VSS portable — at \$3,500 — is roughly \$500 more than moving the Gooderham portable.

"Wherever the portable is found, there will be implications," board director Brad Saunders told trustees. "Somebody once told me when the water in the watering hole starts to dry up, the animals start to look at each other a little dif-

ferently. Well, the water in our financial watering hole is definitely starting to dry up."

And at least one of the trustees is looking thirstily at the potential for cost savings in not just moving one of Gooderham's portables to HHSS, but closing the school's doors altogether.

"If this board's going to survive — it probably won't survive — then there has to be some long-range planning. And some of that long-range planning has to be that we've got to close some of these small schools," said Len Salvatori.

After the 8-5 vote, Pettit asked to be excused from the meeting and quickly left the room. He did not return that evening.

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Planning Act changes could hurt cottage country: FOCA

by JODY LINDBECK
Staff Reporter

Inappropriate development in cottage country could negatively effect the fragile environments of these areas, says a representative of the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations.

Ambrose Moran, a vice-president of FOCA and chairman of its Land Use Planning Committee, was in Haliburton recently to speak on the impacts of Bill 20, which the provincial government introduced to amend the Planning Act.

The bill, which came into effect about six weeks ago, replaces amendments to the act introduced by the previous government.

Moran says inappropriate development in cottage country could destroy the local economies, which are increasingly dependent on the attraction of a clean environment.

Polluted lakes and damaged ecosystems will not provide for sustainable communities in rural Ontario, he says.

Moran is concerned that "streamlining" of the development process could have ramifications for the environment.

Under Bill 20, the notice period for official plans has been reduced from 30 days to 20, the approval period for subdivisions cut from 180 days to 90 and the approval consent period for developments cut from 90 days to 60.

Moran is concerned that in small townships in rural Ontario, 60 days is not enough time for the approval period.

He said in cities such as Toronto, where planners were employed, 60 days would be enough time to work on a development. But in small municipalities without planning staff, it probably only represented two meeting evenings, which may not be enough time to adequately deal with a proposal.

Moran is also concerned that the new act does not protect wetlands in cottage areas.

"The government's position is that these are the guidelines and municipalities can place much more stringent policies if they want to," he said.

Moran says his concern is that there is not the same experience at a municipal level as there is at a provincial level. "Municipalities also don't have the funding to do all that is required."

The first step to protecting wetlands areas was careful mapping, Moran said.

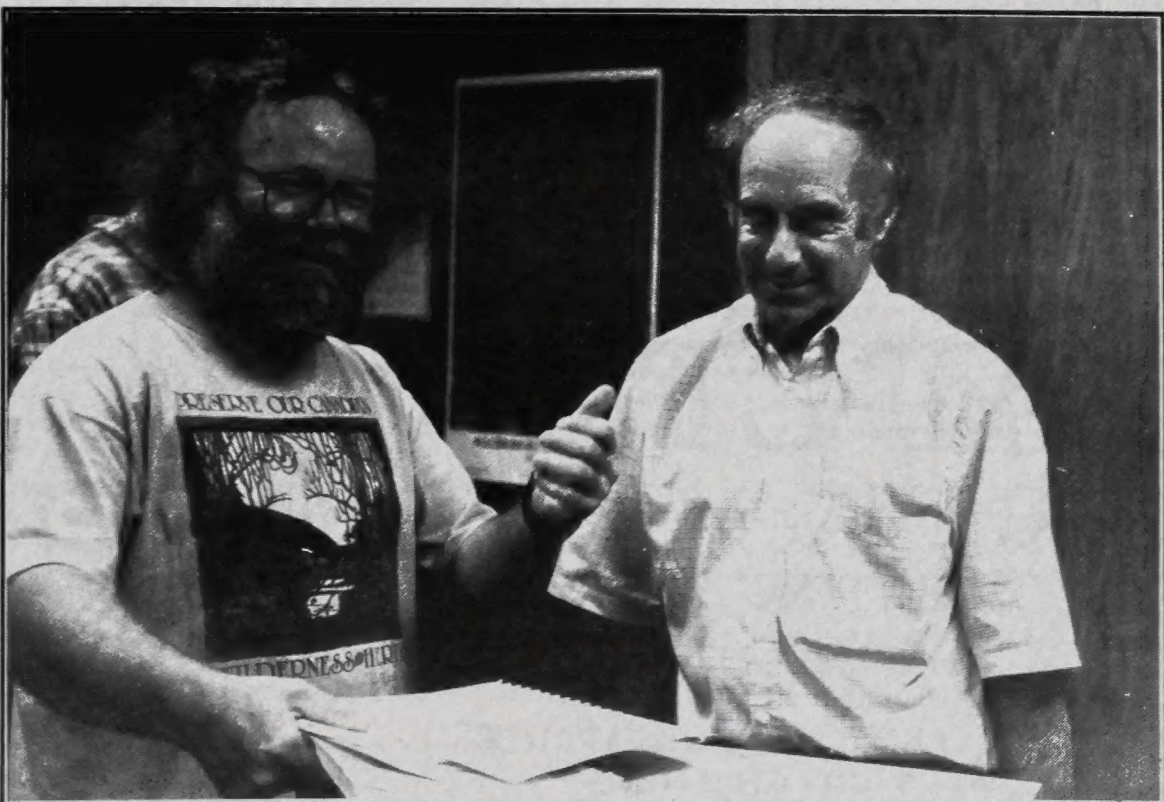
During the meeting, sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists at the Haliburton museum, Moran also advocated a user-pays arrangement for septic system re-inspections and addressed the issue of shoreline road allowances.

Moran believes the issue of shoreline road allowances will

have a major impact on development. He says property owners should be allowed to own the shoreline road allowances in front of their properties, but should not be allowed to develop on them, subsequently creating a "buffer zone" around the lake.

However, he said development had already gone ahead on shoreline road accesses in some areas.

While he believes shoreline access will become a big issue in the future, Moran believes the biggest influence on development remains the economic climate.



ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES: Ambrose Moran (right) presents a series of papers he wrote about the possible impact Planning Act changes could have on the environment to Haliburton Museum director Tom Ballantine.

Bioregional mappers continuing atlas

They're back! A little late starting this year due to changes in the Ministry of Natural Resources, who administer the Environmental Youth Crops grant, but they're here.

Trent University's Haliburton Highlands Bioregional Atlas Project continues with Anna Gibson as the project co-ordinator and Geordon Harvey as the researcher and GIS (Geographic Information Systems - computer mapping and analysis tool) specialist.

They are continuing the project, working with community map designers, to collect information and prepare maps for the computer database.

With Geordon's help, in partnership with James Britton of Sir Sandford Fleming College's GIS faculty, the group will be defining a base map and begin digitizing maps for plates in the Bioregional Atlas.

A central focus of this sum-

mer's work will also be to prepare and produce a handbook of guidelines for community map designers.

This will be an important tool in the training of subsequent map designers, Gibson said.

"Although we will be primarily working with the first group of maps, the project needs more Highlands residents to take part in this community mapping initiative," she said.

Further information is available by contacting Gibson or Harvey at 489-1099, c/o Windy Pine, RR2 Minden, Comp #4 K0M 2K0, or email: windypine@halhinet.on.ca.

The papers researched and written by the 1995/96 bioregionalism students from the Trent University bioregionalism course are now available, along with the previous seven years of research papers, in the Haliburton Highlands Museum.



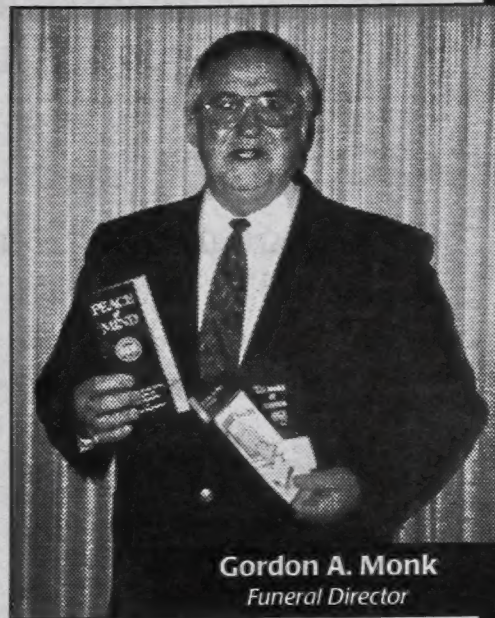
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Aix marks the spot

SSFC administrator Barb Bolin is taking a leave in France with her family

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

When Barb Bolin decided to take leave of absence from her job as principal of Sir Sandford Fleming college's Haliburton campus, she and her family pulled out a map of the South of France and drew a big X right in the middle of it.

The place they picked is a small city nestled in the midst of a grape growing and perfume district, called Aix en Provence.

And that's where Bolin and her two children, Kristi, 13, and Janna, 10, will be from late summer until Christmas. Bolin's husband and the children's father, Steve Bowskill, will remain in the Highlands for work, but will visit in the fall.

Though the family will stay in France for just a few months, Bolin is taking a 10-month leave from work.

In her absence, Janet Honsberger will serve as campus operations leader, beginning July 29.

After 25 years of long hours administering the campus and the School of Fine Arts, Bolin said she wants to take some time off to devote to her family.

"I also want to step back from work for a time and take a look at what I'm doing," she said. "At the same time, it's good for someone else to step in to take a look at



During her sabbatical, Barb Bolin, left, will be replaced by Janet Honsberger, who has been with the college in various roles

what the campus is doing. It's hard to know yourself, if you're stale or not."

Honsberger, who has worked at the college's Peterborough campus for 15 years, much of the time in the classroom, will bring "more of an educational focus" to the job, said Bolin.

Living in France, in an area drenched in culture and the arts, can only help Bolin bring a fresh perspective back to her work and the campus when she returns.

But she doesn't want to make any commitments.

"That's why I chose to take a leave of absence instead of a sabbatical," she pointed out. "I didn't want to promise anyone that I would do anything for them while I was away."

Kristi and Janna will be going to a small school for international students, where all of their instruction will be done in French.

They prepared for the trip this winter by taking additional French lessons, said Bolin, who was surprised at how much of the language she remembered from her high school days.

But just in case the girls' French isn't up to speed to keep up with the class, the teachers all speak English, as well.

SSFC names interim replacement for principal

Janet Honsberger will serve as Sir Sandford Fleming College's Haliburton campus operations leader, beginning July 29, while campus principal Barb Bolin takes a 10-month leave of absence.

Bolin, who has been principal of the campus more than 25 years, plans to take break to travel with her family in France.

Honsberger said she is "really excited" about working at the campus and moving to the community.

"The reputation of this campus is very strong," she said. "... I feel like I'm walking into a very fine opportunity with a very well functioning team of people with very viable programs."

Honsberger has 15 years' experience as a department administrator for the college's Community Service and Applied Arts Department in Peterborough.

As well, she served as a professor and co-ordinator for the Recreation Leadership Program.

Honsberger's program development experience in the arts and heritage field will also help her in her new role as interim leader of the Haliburton School of Fine Arts.

The school hopes to expand its offerings to include more part-time learning opportunities in heritage studies in close liaison with related full-time programming offered in Peterborough.

Honsberger is a local and national United Way trainer in non-profit board leadership and development. She is the college's "Teamworks" representative and facilitator for the Eastern Region Human Resource Development Planning Team.

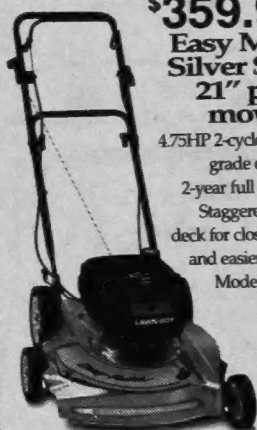
In addition, she has conducted numerous team-building workshops for various social service agencies and has published trainer manuals, including a program planning manual for recreation in rural communities.

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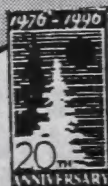
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Puppets get eight minutes of marketing fame

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Kari Siirala had eight minutes yesterday to convince television viewers in 52 million homes across the United States they couldn't possibly live without one of his company's puppets.

People in the Highlands have long had a soft spot for the cute and cuddly creations of Carnarvon's Senitt Dolls and Puppets Ltd.

But yesterday, in a special Canada Day broadcast filmed live at Ontario Place by the largest home-shopping network in the U.S., Siirala had the opportunity to introduce the animals to a potential audience more than twice the population of Canada.

Senitt Dolls and Puppets was among 20 Ontario-based companies handpicked by electronic retailer QVC, Inc. from an initial list of 1,600 businesses to appear on its first international show.

QVC is virtually unknown in Canada, except to satellite TV viewers. But in the U.S., the massive company, with 6,000 employees, beams its products into 52 million homes 24 hours a day, 364 days per year.

"Apparently they get eight phone calls every second," Siirala said Friday as he awaited his eight minutes of fame.

Siirala said a friend of his from the States, who also makes puppets, appeared on a QVC show and sold 4,000 units in just four minutes.

The broadcast follows the same format as a talk show with



Kari Siirala and wife Bailey Renshaw were given eight minutes of air-time yesterday on the most popular home-shopping TV show in the U.S. to sell their puppets. The cable show introduced viewers in 52 million homes to the toys people in the Highlands have become familiar with at Senitt Dolls and Puppets.

a host interviewing a representative from each company individually about his or her product.

Guests on the show have eight minutes to make a pitch for what could be the largest single day of sales in their company's history.

But three days before the show was to be filmed, Siirala said he wasn't intimidated by the prospect of appearing live on TV screens in more than 50 million livingrooms.

With the success of Wrinkles,

perhaps Senitt Doll's best-known puppet, and other creatures in the company's product line, Siirala is used to being on TV.

It also helps to share the spotlight with three attention-grabbing puppets — Big George, a nearly four-foot tall black bear, a smaller cousin named Beary Bear and Lamby Pie, a mid-sized lamb.

Beary Bear and Lamby Pie have been around for a while, but Big George is new on the scene.

Cathy Senitt, who designs the toys, made the big black bear just for the show.

And QVC is confident the photogenic puppet and Siirala are going to be a big hit with viewers.

"The president of QVC took a liking to Kari," said his wife Bailey Renshaw. "He said, 'That guy's going to sell really well because he looks just like his product.'"

And with Big George seated next to him, it's not easy to miss the more than passing resemblance between the burly bear and Siirala, who has a big, animated face, wispy, black eyebrows and lots of facial hair.

Once Senitt Puppets was chosen to appear on the show, which was to air Monday from 5-8 p.m., the company had just four

weeks to produce, package and ship a massive order of the three puppets to be featured to QVC.

As part of their contract, Siirala and Renshaw cannot disclose the exact number of units they supplied. But it's safe to say it was the largest single order they have ever produced.

Three seamstresses and two others stuffing puppets and packaging the finished product worked nearly around the clock to meet the order.

"We were sewing from early, early in the morning to late, late at night," said Renshaw.

And, with any luck, it would have taken just a few minutes yesterday for all that labour to pay off.

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Editorial

Stars in their eyes

BEFORE THIS EDITORIAL BEGINS, let it be said that The Haliburton County Echo is "one of those backward, insular, self-defeating businesses that doesn't know how to dream big. We're one of the reasons why the Highlands has yet to take its place in the sun."

Or at least those are the accusations some members of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce will level towards us once they finish reading.

In our defence, we just think we've got a good feel for this county after reporting on it for so many years.

The Chamber hopes to raise more than \$200,000 for local hospitals by selling 25,000 tickets on a raffle for a cottage. It is a very worthwhile cause and never before in this county will so much be raised by one event. (That's the part about dreaming big.) That's also the type of dream which makes people spend millions of dollars on lottery tickets each year.

Lottery ticket dreams cost \$1. The Chamber's tickets cost \$20 and from the outset, you know you have a 1-in-25,000 chance to win. One ticket drawn, one winner. Everyone else is supposed to go home feeling good about raising money for a good cause.

If the tickets were going to be sold locally, that logic might work. The hospitals are an emotional topic, and once the capital building projects are underway, community support will be quite strong. But according to the Chamber's plan, 20,000 of the tickets are going to be sold outside the county to people who don't know anything about the Haliburton and Minden Hospitals and never plan to use them. (They won't even have to if they win the Chamber's raffle. The cottage doesn't have to be built in Haliburton because the winner has to supply the land. How many people have a few acres of empty lakefront property lying around?)

There are people in the county, however, who are more than willing to support a good cause. But is the Chamber's scheme the best way to do it? Because there are some problems.

It turns out that the fixed costs will total approximately \$224,500, regardless of how many tickets are sold. Those costs are: the \$100,000 cottage; \$22,000 in taxes; \$52,000 for marketing; the Chamber's cost of \$16,000; the ticket and flyer costs of \$8,500; a licence fee of \$4,000; and the interest on the line of credit of \$2,000. Add to that the commission for the agency hired to sell the 20,000 tickets. It will get a 10% cut of gross sales (and let's hope the Chamber will get some sort of guarantee on the number of tickets it will sell.)

Let's say that the agency sells 10,000 tickets at the optimal price of \$20 each and the Chamber sells 3,000 of its tickets, also at \$20 each. Gross sales will be \$260,000. From that figure you take away the commission of \$20,000 and the \$204,500 in other fixed costs. That leaves a cheque presentation of \$35,500. In other words, when people buy a \$20 ticket, only \$1.70 will go towards the hospital. With that rate of return, people would rather support a much more boring fundraising pursuit such as buying a brick. Boring perhaps, but at least all of the money goes towards the hospitals.

The Echo's figures may be pessimistic. At the Chamber meeting, it was simply assumed each and every ticket will be sold. However, the provincial Gaming Commission knows there are risks and that's why it's asking for a letter of credit of \$140,000 so that at least the prize can be honoured. Rules like that usually have their roots in past disasters, so disasters can happen.

There is nothing wrong with dreaming big. There's nothing wrong with \$20 tickets. (Winning Wednesday tickets for the local guild of fine arts cost \$100 but at least if you get everyone at the office to chip in, it's a simple mathematical formula to divide the proceeds. Dividing a cottage is more difficult.) There is nothing wrong with raffling a cottage. Perhaps it's something the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board's fundraising committee might think of, as long as the raffle is structured differently. (By the way, has anyone from the Chamber approached the board to make sure the Chamber's plans don't conflict with the board's?)

There is something wrong with the Chamber getting stars in its eyes and not being able to see to the day to day business that is, after all, the Chamber's business. It may be boring to have to answer the same questions visitors ask day after day, or to attend to local businesses' needs, but the Chamber should make sure it can fulfill those tasks first – and fulfill them better than in the past – before it starts dreaming so big. That's what every other business in the Highlands is having to do right now. **M.P.**



Summer solitude

Letters to the Editor

More resign from Lions Club

To the Editor:

In reference to the letters in the June 25, 1996 Echo, we wish to advise that at present there are 12 other members resigning from the Haliburton and District Lions Club. These members, two of whom have 23 years service each and another with 17 years service in Lions, are sadly leaving the Club after trying to resolve an internal matter (of verbal accusations) in the democratic process we call "justice for all". We hope these resignations will trigger response from our parent organization to settle these internal problems in a democratic way.

In the meantime please remember that other Lions members throughout our county and the world are still working hoping to make the life of those in need better. As an example, during the last three years Lions of the world have raised nearly \$150-million U.S. for their "Sight First" project with the aim to eradicate preventable blindness in the world, which up to now has been happening each year at an alarming unprecedented rate.

While raising these funds each Lions Club was expected to maintain their usual projects and work in the community. Some of the major projects supported are C.N.I.B., Leader Dog program, to assist the blind, Hearing ear dogs, for the hearing impaired, Special Skills dogs to help the handicapped, support to camps for the blind, dialysis patients, handicapped children, etc., Lions Quest Canada, Life Skills Education for the young people in our communities, plus many other community projects and works too numerous to mention.

While we are very sorry if any of the internal problems adversely affect our community, we feel that this is our only alternative to get this settled soonest in a democratic manner and get on with community service.

We hope you in the community will try to understand this is an internal family matter so to speak, and if all goes well, we will be back working on your behalf selling raffle and Nevada tickets, asking for pledges, col-

lecting tolls, holding a mini boat race, etc. etc., throughout the year to raise the funds needed for Lions projects, works and assisting other community groups with their activities, such as Highland Games, Santa Parade, Winterfest, etc.

Thank you for your support in the past and we hope to serve you again in the future.

Vincent Leveck, Grant Crofts and Roxanne Casey
Haliburton County

Opening in wall gladdens shoppers' hearts

To the Editor:

Re: The walkway between IGA and valumart in Haliburton (The Echo, January 30/February 13, 1996).

Good news folks!

There is now an open walkway between our two food stores. Great, eh!

We doff our hats to owners Mike Easton and Chuck O'Neil and to paraphrase George M. Cohan - my mother thanks you,

my father thanks you, my sister thanks you - hey, we all thank you.

This will certainly make shopping a lot easier in the good ole winter time. Now if you'll just keep it nicely shovelled! (Just kidding fellows)

Again, many thanks.

Jean & Geoff Hutchinson
(Eagle Lake),
Alex and Cecile McLeod
(Kashagawigamog Lake)

Walk a mile – or two kilometres – in kids' shoes

To the Editor:

With regard to the latest cuts to the school bus lines, I hope the board trustees and administrators will carefully consider all routes that are to be changed before doing so. This is not a case of groomed sidewalks along manicured city streets. We live in the "highlands" and roads in this county are very hilly, winding and have blind curves.

It may be that the board should consider walking these

routes themselves – in inclement weather and in the dark (since it can be dark as early as 4:15 in the winter). They should also take into account that there are often many varieties of wildlife along these routes, not to mention that most children don't have legs as long as adults.

A waste of time, you say. It will only take one accident for everyone to say "If only ..."

Anne L. Creelman
Haliburton

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Birthday greetings from south of the border

THEY ARE ONLY faded photographs now, faint echoes of voices from another place and century, some raging in defiance, some choking in despair, others distant and dispassionate as they struggle for the soul of their country. Many of the burning issues of the day may have been far different from ours, but the process of national disintegration they engendered has a distinctly contemporary ring.

"There are grave doubts at the hugeness of the land, whether one government can comprehend the whole", a young Henry Adams wrote as in 1860 he considered his native land, the United States, a nation on the verge of civil war.

"Every day the North grows more wealthy and densely populated, while the South is stationary or growing poor....The first result of this disproportionate growth is a violent change in the equilibrium of power and political influence. These changes cannot take place without injuring interests, without exciting passions," Alexis de Toucqueville noted several years earlier. Indeed, by mid-century the North had become a thriving society of industrialists and immigrants while the agricultural South, isolated, stagnant and burdened by the curse of slavery, retreated to a mythical world of honour, refinement and contemplation of past glories.

"There are millions upon millions of dollars due from Southerners to the merchants and mechanics of this city alone, the payment of which would be jeopardized by any rupture between the North and South...(Unity) is not a matter of principle with us. It is a matter of business necessity". Or so New York merchant George Strong wanted to believe.

An increasingly threadbare series of compromises failed to satisfy either north or south. Declaring that secession was illegal but that he had no power

to prevent it, the outgoing President, James Buchanan, tried to preserve the peace by not provoking secessionists. His attempts at mediation failed, however, and the 1860 elections polarized the country. No-one spoke for all 31 million Americans. The incumbent President, Abraham Lincoln, was a member of the newly formed Republican Party, a coalition of former members of moribund political movements: its platform, apart from the sup-

pression of slavery, was directed against the southern bloc in Washington D.C. and the failure of the

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Lon Duncombe

federal government to curb immigration. Southerners vowed to secede from the Union when Lincoln and his party were elected. Lincoln thought they were bluffing and tried to defuse the crisis by words of reconciliation. "We are not enemies but friends. Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection..." "There is no crisis excepting such a one as may be gotten up at any time by designing politicians." Lincoln's words fell on deaf ears as extremists on both sides fanned the flames of mistrust and hatred.

The ensuing civil war killed more Americans than all other conflicts before and since combined. It cemented the Union together in blood, and helped shape modern American attitudes towards firearms and the use of force. It also eliminated the possibility of secession forever: individual states would henceforth find other ways to voice their disapproval of Washington.

Meanwhile, to the north, the British subjects of Upper and Lower Canada, horrified by the American experience, were determined to fashion a new federation, united and strong, which would never have to face the spectre of secession by individual provinces.

O Canada.



Pic of the Past

In the Pic of the Past of December 5, 1995, Tom Hodgson submitted a snapshot of a SeaBee amphibious aircraft on the frozen surface of Head Lake in 1946, writes Minden's Wes Lytle, who supplied this week's text and picture of what could very well be the same aircraft taken during a subsequent summer prior to 1950. Unfortunately, the call letters are obscured in both photos, which makes a definite match difficult. This picture was taken as

the aircraft was departing from Mr. Lytle's grandfather's cottage in Ingoldsby (not Puffer's Island in the background) and the pilot was the late Ron Tyler. The name on the door says Haliburton Highland Air Services, and this company continues to this day, albeit under a slightly different name. Photographers will be interested to know this picture was printed from a glass slide, which predated the celluloid slides we use today.

Let's give them something to talk about

WE CANADIANS love our weather, don't we. I think it is appropriate that Canada Day has a long weekend attached to it not only so we can celebrate our country's birthday, but also so that we can have that one extra day to wonder about and discuss the weather.

When you think about it, it makes perfect sense that we have this preoccupation. We have a country that is second only to Russia in area and that area covers a variety of terrains and climates. We are also so far north that much of the weather we do experience is pretty darn cold for much of the time, in some parts all of the time.

So it is perfectly natural that we Canadians tend to talk about the weather a lot. It is often used as a conversation opener, "Cold enough for you?", "Hot enough for you?" That gives the people having the conversation the opportunity to talk about every cold snap or heat wave in comparison with the weather of the day, which can inevitably lead to any number of other topics. It is a real ice-breaker, if you'll pardon the pun.

We also like to be able to



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Anne Creelman

blame the weather for things that go wrong, since Canadians are usually too polite to blame another person, nor are we willing to take the blame ourselves. "My golf game was off, there was a storm brewing", "I couldn't walk to school today, the freezing rain was too bad", "Who can clean a house in this humidity!"

The weather is also partly responsible for making Canadians eternal optimists. If a weather forecast calls for good weather, we believe it because we want to believe that we too can have sun and fun above the 49th parallel. We know weather people lie all the time, but we still try to believe that there is good in everybody and maybe, just maybe, this time they were kidding. I think everyone in this country has at one time or another said with some conviction, "It's clearing up, I can just tell it is getting brighter behind that ebony cloud".

We wait with bated breath to

hear those revered weather people tell us the news we long to hear, that the weather is going to be fine and festive. But what I don't understand is what difference does it make? Nine times out of ten, we still have to go wherever we were going before we heard the weather. What can we do to change it? And if it isn't nice, will it really be the end of the world? In fact, we'll probably miss the end of the world because we'll all be listening to hear the weekend forecast.

Yes, chewing about the weather is our favourite Canadian past-time next to politician bashing. We love to complain about it being too hot, too cold, too bright, too dry, not dry enough, too humid, etc, and so on. I guess if we complain about the weather, it keeps us from complaining about more serious issues. Or wouldn't it be nice if we didn't have anything more serious to complain about.

Whether the weather was fine or foul this weekend, I sure hope we have a good strong wind so that we can all fly our Canadian flags strong and proud. And if it rains, it'll give us something to talk about.

More Letters to the Editor

Anti-bear hunt ads misinform

To the Editor:

Engaging in a campaign of misinformation and emotional rhetoric, the Animal Alliance of Canada has launched efforts to ban bear hunting as the first step toward ending all forms of our hunting heritage in Ontario. Ignoring the facts, as well as the enormous impact this will have on many Ontario residents, hunters, and tourist operators, they are stridently demanding an end to the spring bear hunt.

During a recent advertising campaign, the Animal Alliance has attempted to convince the public that bear populations are in danger, and the bear hunt is nothing more than a "blood

sport" that orphans bear cubs.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Ontario's bear population is between 75,000 and 100,000 animals, and the harvest is well below that required for sustainability. Bear populations are increasing in many parts of the province. Bear meat is excellent to eat and enjoyed by hunters and their families.

The anti-hunting campaign has no regard for legitimate hunting practices, sound wildlife management practices, tourism, recreation, heritage and the impacts on aboriginal and non-aboriginal lifestyles. The value of the spring bear hunt in northern Ontario alone is \$30 million

See CAMPAIGN page 12

Boonieville

by Charlie Telford



Athletic Backgrounds

Jenn Turner
-11 years figure skating
-cross-country running

-nordic skiing
-volleyball
-field hockey
-intramurals
-soccer (for which she was awarded MVP, and was captain)
-badminton
-skating coach

Nick Fawcett
-football
-cross-country running
-soccer
-badminton
-track & field
-golf
-coached midget girls volleyball

Learning doesn't end for two HHSS athletes

by SUE CARR
HHSS Co-Op Student

Summer is usually a time of relaxation for students, but some students (the ones who are total opposites of my couch potato self) are willing to spend part of their summer being active.

From July 5th to 13th, Jenn Turner and Nick Fawcett will be representing our local high school at the Ontario Educational Leadership Camp at Camp Couchiching. The Grade 11/12 students will be sweating through classes and seminars to develop leadership skills through athletics.

"We're there for nine days, and we're going to enhance our leadership skills by participating in various athletic activities such as volleyball, soccer, and swimming," says Jenn.

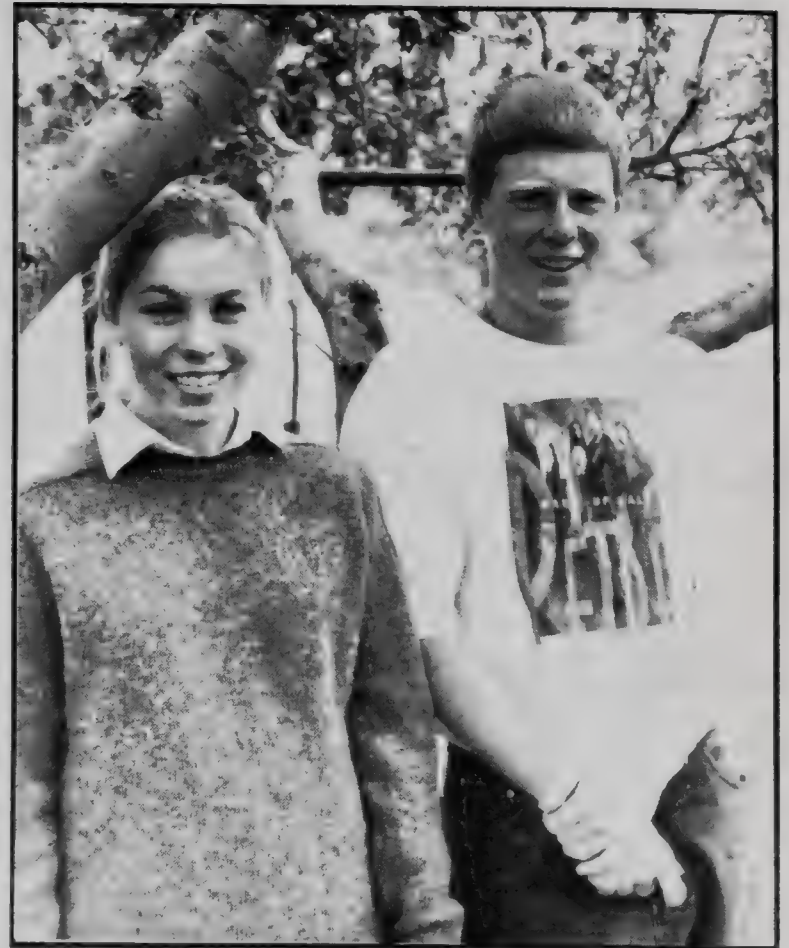
"The emphasis is on leadership, and not athletic skills," says Nick, who then adds that the two HHSS students will learn "different leadership techniques, like refereeing."

Jenn and Nick are heavily into school athletics, and both have impressive athletic backgrounds. (see sidebars)

When they return to the school next year, Nick will become President of the Letterman's Club, (basically the director of intramurals,) and Jenn will become the President of the Girls Athletic Association.

The two don't mind giving up a part of their summer to participate in the camp, saying that they hope to learn to take more initiative, better leadership skills, and more communication skills.

Besides, Nick says, "it's gonna be fun!"



LEARNING TO BE LEADERS: At the end of this week, local high school students Jenn Turner and Nick Fawcett will be attending the Ontario Educational Leadership Camp to develop leadership skills through athletics.

Campaign maligns hunters by linking them with poachers

FROM page 11

annually, and it generates about 500 person-years of employment. In many areas of the province, it is the primary early season revenue generator.

Among the anti's extremist campaign materials are videos of bear poachers in action. They use these graphic images to malign hunters. There is nothing in common between poachers and hunters. The animal rights activists claim the hunt is uncontrolled, and that there is

wanton killing of female bears with dependent cubs. In fact, it is illegal to kill females with cubs, and the majority of bears harvested in both spring and fall are young males - the very animals displaced or killed by dominant, territorial males. In 1994, resident hunters saw almost 14,000 bears while hunting. They chose to harvest just 1,600 animals, passing up over 12,000 bears.

These figures show a very controlled and ethical hunt. The anti-hunting campaign is false propaganda, aimed

at smearing our hunting heritage. I resent them trying to force me to go along with their vegetarian views. It is unfortunate that hundreds of thousands of dollars are being wasted on this campaign instead of going toward the real issues affecting black bears in Ontario. Instead of working with conservationists to improve our scientific understanding of this tremendous animal, they are actually harming them with misinformation and misunderstanding.

Good management practices, which include hunting, have allowed the bear population to grow and thrive in Ontario.

Ted Vasey,
President of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association

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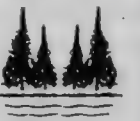
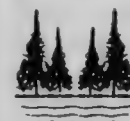
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Haliburton athletes excel at Legion District F track and field championships

by PAUL MORISSETTE

Twenty local track and field enthusiasts travelled to Oshawa's Civic Fields Stadium on June 22 to compete in the Royal Canadian Legion District "F" Track and Field Meet on Saturday. The Royal Canadian Legion's Youth Branch sponsors district, provincial and Canadian national Legion track and field championships for youth, 17 years of age and under. This year was the first time that Haliburton area athletes competed in the district meet. Meet director, Fred Sewell, of Oshawa, was very impressed with both the level of ability and sportsmanship demonstrated by the Haliburton contingent.

In the 12-years-old and under category, Ryan Wood, Shane Campbell and Danny Craig ran and jumped very well capturing several first and second place ribbons. In the more competitive 17 years and under, and, 15 years and under, categories several athletes turned in fine performances. Nicole Cooper and Tanya Sisson, competing in their first official meet, turned in excellent performances in the throwing events. Tanya captured second place in the javelin with a 23.78 meter throw, while Nicole placed third in the shot put with a 7.99 put. Emily Brandon, competing against girls several years older, ran a very strong 100 meter run. Jesse Sternberg, competing against an extremely strong spring group from the Durham Excels track team, ran strong 100 and 200 meter runs, finishing in third and fifth place. His 11.8 clocking in the 100 was his best of the year. Amy Wood and Amanda Duncombe tied for third place in the long jump with leaps of 4.59 meters. Amanda also captured first place in the discus, an event



which she is just learning. Mike Morissette was third in the long jump with a jump of 5.19 meters and Aidan McKnight was fifth in the 300 meter hurdles with a 45 second run. John Craig, competing against a strong field, was in the top eight in both 400 hurdles and 400 meter runs. Sprinters Meghan Kennedy and Amy Brandon, although out of the medals, turned in personal bests in the 200 meter and 100 meter runs, clocking 28.2 and

13.01, and 28.4 and 13.3 times, respectively. Britney Hewitt captured a fifth place finish in the discus with a 21 meter throw.

Six local athletes qualified to represent District "F" on the 40-man team which will compete in Brantford for the Ontario Legion Championships on July 12 and 13. Matt Reid won the discus competition with a 38.42 meter throw - a personal best in competition; Devon Dart placed second in the discus with 1 36.80



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Just because school has ended, high school athletics doesn't need to take a summer holiday. Among the 20 local students who travelled to Oshawa recently for a Legion-sponsored track meet, Amy Wood, left, competed in the long jump while Devon Dart, above, came second in the 400 metres.

throw and second in the 400 meters and will compete in both events in Brantford. Greg Luck won the gold in the javelin throw with a 38 meter throw. Three girls will also be travelling to Brantford to compete. Amanda Duncombe will compete in the discus event. Stephanie Ratz coming off a fine high school season, ran second in both the 1500 and 3000 meter runs and will compete in both events at the Legion champi-

onships. Kate Campbell captured three golds in both hurdle events and the 100 meter run, clocking very fast 11.66 times in the 80 meter hurdles and a 12.26 time in the 100 meter run. Kate will carry Haliburton banners in the Legion championships in all three events.

The Haliburton athletes are looking forward to representing District "F" and will wear the red and white district colours with distinction in July.

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Cardiff athletes end year with competition

On Friday, June 14 Cardiff Elementary School held its Primary Track and Field Day (Grade 1, 2, 3). The children

participated in eight events (four track and four field).

The students put forth an excellent effort showing great

co-operation and sportsmanship.

The organizers would like to thank all of our volunteers for

their help and patience.

The overall girl was Megan McCracken and the overall boy was Shawn Crowder.



OFFICIAL OPENING

With Wolf and Gesa Fluegel holding the ends of the ribbon, Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey prepares to cut through it during the recent official opening of MooseWoods Trail Centre on the Eagle Lake Road north of Haliburton.

Drag Lake golfers gather for fun day at Blairhampton

The Drag Lake property owners association held its first golf tournament on June 22 at the Blairhampton golf course.

Prizes were awarded to Terry Buchkowsky for "closest to hole" and the team of Bert and Bobbie Bicknell, Al Ferguson

and Chuck Wheeler for "best ball team" with a score of 34.

Prizes were sponsored by Haliburton Lumber, Haliburton Home Hardware, Emmerson Lumber and Curry Motors.

The tournament ended with a "great meal" at the course.



A TEAM EFFORT: Board of Education superintendent Dale Robinson, right, presents the Dorset teaching staff with a national School Recognition Award for their integration of physical activities into the school day. Accepting the award are, from left: Doris McDonald, Anne Graham, Lise Lacroix, Debra Roberts and principal Debbie Wales.

Dorset school wins national award

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Dorset Public School, which recently received an award from the local health unit for its physical education programs, has just been recognized by a second organization.

The Canadian Association for Health, Physical Education and Dance (CAPHERD) selected the school as one of the winners of its national School Recognition Award.

Dorset principal Debbie Wales and the school's teaching staff were on hand at the board's

meeting to accept the award from Dale Robinson, the board's superintendent of education.

In order to qualify for the award, Wales said teachers at the school had to schedule at least 150 minutes of Quality Daily Physical Education per week, including a wide variety of activities, such as swimming, tennis, dance, gymnastics and skiing.

As well, students had to be involved in various extra-curricular activities with other schools.

Dorset teachers went even further than the minimum require-

ments, offering 180 minutes of weekly activities on average, said Wales.

"It was a team effort. Everyone was involved."

In recognition of its efforts, the school received a banner, certificate and a letter signed by the Prime Minister.

Dorset was recently selected among schools across the county to win the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit's Activity Challenge.

Haliburton Minor Baseball

• Standings as of June 28 •

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	T	GB
Indians (Bishop and Wilson)	4	1	1	-
Yankees (Haliburton Lumber)	3	1	2	.5
Red Sox (Kennisis Lake Marine)	2	4	0	2.5
Blue Jays (Emmerson Lumber)	1	4	1	3

Last week's results: Blue Jays 14 Yankees, Indians 10 Red Sox 5

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	T	GB
Cardinals (Home Town Fashions)	4	2	0	-
Royals (Halco Electronics)	4	2	0	-
Athletics (Sharpley Sports)	2	4	0	2
Orioles (McKee's Place)	2	4	0	2

Last week's results: Royals 12 Athletics 6; Cardinals 13 Orioles 2.

CANADIAN LEAGUE	W	L	T	GB
Phillies (G.J. Burtch Construction)	4	2	0	-
Pirates (valu-mart)	4	2	0	-
Marlins (Curry Motors)	3	2	1	.5
Rockies (Rodco Enterprises)	3	3	0	1
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Expert to study lake capacity

by **PETER DOWNS**
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Sunday morning's annual meeting of the Drag Lake Property Owners Association.

Drag Lake property owners are making a move they hope will help protect their lake against over-development.

With no definitive answers on file from government sources regarding the development capacity of the lake, the association has decided to hire an expert to tell them how many more properties their lake can sustain.

Members voted unanimously to pay a consultant \$7,000 to conduct a development capacity study of the lake.

"We don't want to stop development on the lake necessarily, but we want to protect the quality of the lake," said Lorrie Wheeler, a professional planner and chairwoman of the association's planning and development committee.

Wheeler said Dysart et al's Official Plan shows there is vacant capacity on Drag Lake for 137 additional cottages and 33 permanent residences.

However, different provincial ministries indicate the lake has different amounts of undeveloped land.

Wheeler said she "started getting scared" when she examined Dysart's Official Plan and zoning by-law and found there were three large properties on the lake zoned, Tourist Commercial, which allow many uses.

One of the three — Camp Scugog Northwood — is currently up for sale.

Because of its zoning, it would

be possible for the new owners to turn the site into a large resort, or even set up a marina, without applying for any amendments, said Wheeler.

In order to have any influence at the Ontario Municipal Board against development proposals the association doesn't agree with, it is necessary for it to have accurate information on development capacity, she said.

"If we do the work, it puts us in the driver's seat."

Because of provincial downsizing, the Ministry of Natural Resources no longer has the staff to conduct the type of study the association requires.

"The government is saying you do it," said Wheeler. "...The bodies just aren't there anymore. They're gone."

The study, which will be completed this year, is not strictly in response to the potential development of Camp Scugog, but overall development of the lake, said Wheeler.

The cost of the study will be covered in part through the \$10 annual fee association members pay toward the lake stewardship program.

Lake stewardship

Last summer the association was able to hire local university student Cory Little through the Environmental Youth Corps to study the lake's quality and recommend ways of improving it.

This summer, another local student, Carol Mowat, who just graduated from HHSS, has been hired through the EYC program to help the association carry out some of the report's recommendations.

Mowat will be working with Sara Katz, who chairs the educa-

Drag Lake

AGM

tion sub committee of the lake stewardship committee, to educate property owners about the environmental and ecological problems on the lake and how to improve them.

The pair will begin by focusing on steps that can be taken to help the shoreline, which in turn benefits the lake and the forests and meadow that lead to the shoreline, said Katz.

Larry Olivio will be conducting several water quality tests on Drag and Spruce Lakes throughout the summer.

Increase in dues

Facing a forecasted deficit of \$1,100 for 1996, the association's executive is proposing a due increase of \$10 for members in 1997.

The increase would bring the annual fee to belong to the association up to \$20. Members are also charged \$10 to help fund the lake stewardship program.

However, several members spoke out against the size of the fee hike.

One area director in the audience suggested a \$5 increase would be more palatable to many property owners.

"I think some people will have a problem with going from \$10 to \$30 (in total fees) in two years," he said.

The lake stewardship fee was introduced for the 1996 year.

The association could look into following the lead of other association which offer dis-

counts of \$10 or \$15 to members who pay three years' worth of dues in advance, said association president Terry Buchkowsky.

Instead of taking a vote on the increase, Buchkowsky recommended the issue be discussed by the association's executive at its fall meeting.

Treasurer Bobbi Bicknell explained the association's expenses have increased "dreadfully" over the past few years.

Since 1991, she said, the association has seen its fees to belong to FOCA rise to \$800 from \$184, the cost of holding event rise to \$1,000 from \$101 and the cost of postage for newsletter rise to \$2,200 from \$1,708.

No representation

Association members were angered that no trustees or other representatives from the Haliburton County Board of Education found the time to attend the meeting.

Dysart trustee Chip Trueman, who attended last year's meeting, could not be present because of a previous commitment, said Buchkowsky.

However, he did supply a written report, read by Buchkowsky, highlighting the board's 1996 budget, including a 2.2 per cent tax increase and many spending cuts.

"At least they seem to be heading in the right direction," said Buchkowsky, who used his own tax bill to show how his education taxes had climbed since 1991. He recommended association members keep pres-

sure on the board to hold the line on tax hikes.

But members of the audience were upset there was no one at the meeting from the board to address their questions. They directed Buchkowsky to ask the board well in advance of next year's meeting to have a representative in attendance.

"The largest portion of our tax bill isn't represented here," said one man. "I don't mind if it's one of the board's administrative officers or one of the trustees. But there should be someone here."

County restructuring

Dysart Reeve and Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey told association members local politicians are nearly finished studying one of the proposed models for county-wide restructuring.

The county has been looking at a one-tiered government system, a modified two-tiered model with fewer municipalities and maintaining the status quo with some shared services.

"We're close now and by the end of July we'll know what might happen if we go to a one-tier system," said Fearrey.

There has been some resistance to streamlining the county's government, he said.

"You're talking about people losing their jobs."

Even some politicians, who would see their seats eliminated, have resisted the proposed changes, said Fearrey.



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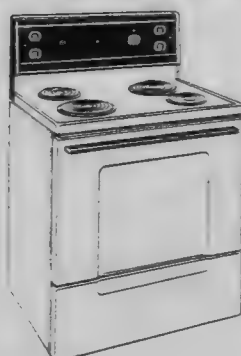
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Board's busing policy 'stands pat'

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Haliburton County Board of Education's meeting on Tuesday evening.

Despite hearing more objections to a new board policy that will require some students to walk up to two kilometres to meet their buses, trustees are standing firm against revising the cost-cutting measure.

Haliburton grandparent Dorothy Owens asked trustees to consider the potential safety hazards children will face rather than the money the board will save.

"What kind of human beings are we if we put a few dollars ahead of our children?" she said.

Children walking along the county's roads, most of them without sidewalks and many with sharp curves and hills, will be in "unspeakable danger" from traffic, Owens said.

She said they face other dangers, such as kidnapping, walking unsupervised along isolated roads.

While the board has said parents will have to take responsibility to ensure their children reach the bus safely, "this is not going to happen for some kids," she said.

Owens maintained the children's safety is the whole community's responsibility.

She gave trustees copies of a number of letters from others who are worried the new bus policy will put children's safety at risk.

Several parents spoke out against the bus policy at a meeting of the board's management committee the previous week.

Trustees Barrie Martin and Chip Trueman said there are ways parents and school groups can help protect children's safety as they walk from their homes to bus pick-up points.

"I'm sure of the community becomes more creative they will find solutions to the problem," said Trueman.

Dysart trustee Len Salvatori said municipalities will have to bear some responsibility to make certain roads and sidewalks are properly cleared of snow in winter.

"I believe everyone here is concerned with every one of these transportation issues," said board chairwoman Wendy Ladurantaye. "... Certainly we don't want anyone to be put in a bad situation. But at this point, from what I understand from people at this table, the policy stands pat right now."

Unless a trustee moves to amend the new busing policy, it will remain as it is, said board director Brad Saunders.

Seeking revenue

Board members approved Sherborne trustee Barrie Martin's proposal for the board

to take a more active role seeking corporate sponsorships and fundraising activities.

The board intends to strike a new committee that will be responsible for developing an action plan to go after corporate dollars.

Martin recommended the committee could include a trustee, a board administrator, school council member and a school principal.

Wee Care charge

Wee Care Day Nursery says the board's new policy to charge groups using schools would make it too costly for it to continue offering after class day care at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School.

In a letter to the board, Wee Care administrator Marie Hodgson asks for a reduced rate, in order to allow the after-school

program to carry on.

Under the board's new policy, Wee Care would be required to pay between \$10 and \$20 per hour to use one of the gyms at JDHES, said business administrator Jim Bradley.

This past school year, Wee Care provided after school care from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. for an average of 14 kids per day between the ages of five to 12, said Hodgson. There 41 children

in total registered in the program.

Hodgson said Wee Care is a non-profit, charitable organization that only generates enough money to cover its expenses.

Trustees, who agreed the program is useful for parents who cannot pick-up their children until they finish work, gave board administrators the go ahead to negotiate a rate that is more affordable to Wee Care.

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This girl is crazy for country...

and now country is crazy for her!

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

AS A CHILD, Alicia Sales was rocked to sleep, her bed reverberating from the sounds of her parents' rock 'n roll band practice in the basement of their Grass Lake home.

What goes around, comes around.

This week, the 13-year-old can sing her family to sleep by playing her new CD for children called *Snoopy's Country*.

The CD is one of a series from the Charles Schultz Peanuts family and Alicia has three solos as "Sally" – Crazy, Friends in Low Places and Thank God I'm a Country Girl – , a duet on Grundy County Auction and sings back-up for the CD's other stars, Kaylen and Kelly Prescott. (Thirteen-year-old Kaylen and 10-year-old Kelly are the musical and marital progeny of Tracy and Randall Prescott, whose own musical marriage is known as Prescott Brown.)

Many child performers are cute the way saccharine is sweet. While this CD is cute – how could you help it with instruments such as a frying pan banjo and cigar box fiddle? – it's been made with pure, unadulterated sugar. The three vocalists aren't children trying to sound like adults (and thank goodness the album's producer, Randall Prescott, didn't use adults trying to sound like children). They are children who deliberately sound like children. However, they also have voices that most adults don't have a chance of matching after a lifetime of singing in the shower.

What makes the CD even better is that although it's a collection of country cover tunes, the three aren't doing impersonations. Alicia, Kaylen and Kelly don't sound like Patsy, Billy Ray and Shania. They sound like Alicia, Kaylen and Kelly.

Children may often be naive, but they're not gullible and in this age of instant gratification and slick marketing, they're also very demanding. With *Snoopy's Country*, children hear themselves reflected in the songs, and lyrics modified slightly for their young ears, but they don't have to trade childlike enthusiasm for real talent. The CD is fun, highly entertaining and "listenable" for children and their parents, but under Prescott's guidance and exacting standards, it is also very, very professional.

Prescott is the eight-time winner of the Canadian Country Music Association's producer of the year award, working with such performers as Susan Agulark and Patricia Conroy. He's also won Junos as an instrumentalist, and he's the one who came up with the CD's delightful musical accompaniment. (His whimsical rendition of the Peanuts theme song has the same funny intelligence as Charles Schultz's original decision to have adults speak in an indecipherable warble.)

When Prescott was given the job of producing *Snoopy's Country*, he was adding to the oeuvre of "*Snoopy's Classics on Toys*" which include Beatles on Toys and Nutcracker on Toys.

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"Wow, can she really sing"



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However, when all the other CDs reached the higher ups at Sony Music in New York, the vocals were edited out because they weren't up to scratch. It's a testament to Prescott's fine ear that the three singers' voices made the final cut, and a testament to Alicia's talent that she has three solos, since she was only slotted to sing one. One song became three when she got into the Prescotts' recording booth, Lakeside Studios, at their Ottawa Valley home.

"My daughter just went 'Wow, she can really sing,'" Randall Prescott told *The Echo* when Prescott Brown launched a cross-Canada tour at the Huntsville Opera House. "Mark my words, in four or five years, Alicia will be on tv and radio..."

"This girl sings well beyond her years. She's got little vocal tricks that Nashville artists take years to perfect. The nice part is she's still a sweetheart."

But how did Alicia come to be singing in the Prescotts' studio in the first place? Well... Here's the shortened version.

Last summer, Stanhope resident Rick Nash heard Alicia sing and persuaded her to send a demo tape to a friend in Nashville who writes country songs. The Sales were going to make the tape at home but felt she should have some experience in a real studio. They inquired at Lakeside Studio but before Prescott agreed to squeeze her into his very tight schedule - he gets about 30 demos a month mailed to him, plus all of his own band and recording work - he wanted to know a little more about Alicia. So he asked for home tapes and videos.

After inviting the Sales to his studio soon after he received the Sales' package, he asked if Alicia just happened to know the song Crazy. Did she? Almost swooning, she sat in his director's chair and sang.

"Randall just smiled and said 'you're hired,'" says Alicia's mother, Nancy. Hired for what? That's when they found out about the Snoopy CD. Once Prescott realized Alicia had such strong vocal range, he asked her to do the other songs, too. Every time she went she learned more about how get the sound he wanted. Every time she went, she grew more comfortable - and more excited.

"The more you do, the more people get to know you," Mrs. Sales says as she describes the string of events that led to the recording. "If you're out there and trying your

best, you're noticed. And if you help other people and they're helping you, there's a lot of friendship involved, and a lot of success."

Exciting as it is to have her first CD, Alicia's being encouraged to take it slow. She is, after all, only 13, and her voice will become even richer and rounder with age. Push her career too much now, and she could just become a novelty act and stifle her career as an adult - like trying to get serious acting roles after you've starred for years in *Leave it to Beaver*.

In this respect, Alicia is very lucky that her first CD was made with the Prescotts. Many country and western

ble and I'll never forget how cruel that is [to push kids to the point where music isn't fun anymore.]

"I wouldn't hurry Alicia at all. I'd rather see someone live a wonderful life and be a bigger fish in a smaller pond."

Alicia giggles as she and her best friend Casey Ogle spit watermelon seeds over the porch of the Sales' home just outside Haliburton. Alicia and Casey have been friends since they were two, and after so much time together, they often sound like a married couple, finishing each other's sentences, prompting each other when story-telling misses a point, and of course, laughing over shared memories.

At that age, kids giggle a lot, but with Alicia and Casey, they also sing a lot. When they want to respond to something, they often do it with the line from a song. Or "that reminds me of that song where..." Earlier that day, they had been experimenting with horse sounds, and when they're really on a roll, they embark on a five-minute medley of pop songs.

Casey loves Alicia's voice. "If it's a fast song she can go wild and crazy but when she sings a slow song you can cry, she's just so emotional. She's just good."

Alicia appreciates how Casey is a good stage manager, suggesting moves Alicia can make, like the Egyptian twist Alicia does when singing she's the "queen of d'nial." Casey gives Alicia, who's naturally a bit shy, the boost she needs to perform as well as sing.

"If they're not sleeping or eating, they're singing," says Nancy Sales. She wishes that when the girls were younger, there were albums like Snoopy's Country Classics. She's also glad that Alicia has had an early opportunity to see that music can be a profes-

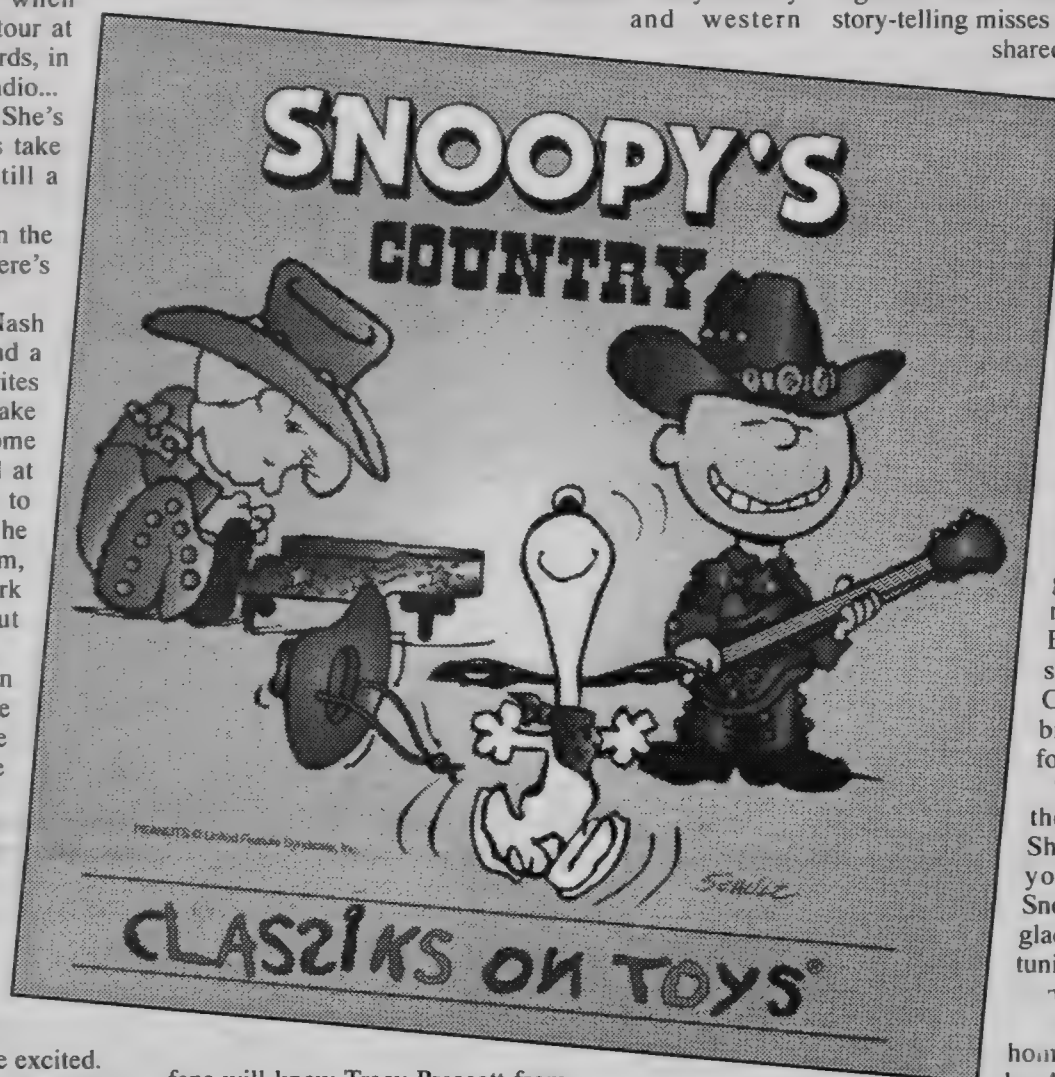
en Nancy was 19 and just leaving home in Norland, she was approached by Apple Records because of her voice "but it never occurred to me to do any-

thing with it." Later, when she married Brad Sales, they helped form two local bands: Ugly Rumour and The Brink. With their big basement, they used to host the weekly band practices and the heavy bass guitar and drum sounds pounded their way through the ceiling to the bedrooms of Alicia and her older sister Stephanie.

Practices are still held there, but now it's for SummerWind. Brad is one of the guitarists and Alicia recently joined her local musical soulmate Ian Brohm as a vocalist.

SummerWind is a marvellous opportunity for Alicia, not just to hone her skills, but to develop that stage presence which is so vital in a performer's career. She's

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fans will know Tracy Prescott from

her early days with the eponymous Family Brown - mom, dad, Tracy and brother Barry. She was performing in front of crowds at even a younger age than Alicia, travelling the world and getting caught up in all the showbiz glitter. Her voice, which is incredibly strong and beautifully mellifluous, has won her countless awards, and yet she's never pushed herself to be as famous as Shania Twain or Reba McEntyre. She'd have to give up too much happiness to be famous. Underneath her joy of singing is a strong commitment to family, and nothing would ever make her jeopardize her family's wellbeing and stability.

Her husband's the same way. "I grew up in a musical family," he says. "My dad never pushed us but we were surrounded by 'Hollywood' kids. It would just be horri-

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CD is added motivation

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learning to feel comfortable in front of an audience, and to accept some of the rigours of a travelling lifestyle. Other band members treat her like one of the band, avoiding problems that can arise with precocious teenagers.

Even when she's not formally practising, Alicia is working hard to develop her talent. Just as pianists must practise daily, she treats her voice like an instrument. It's not enough to say she can sing. For her own satisfaction, she must know she is singing well and that means constantly pushing herself to round out the notes more smoothly, reach the high notes more confidently, and add a little punch at the end of a line about men, life and how you can survive the two. (She may only be

13 but schoolyard politics can be as turbulent and fraught with emotion as an adult's love life.) Listening to the Snoopy CD was a thrill, but a short one. Now she hears the places where she could have done it better. Rather than rest on her laurels, she's determined to keep singing and singing until she gets it the way she wants.

"I like learning harder songs because it's a challenge and I want to get better at it," she says, pausing for a few minutes before she and Casey laugh and giggle as they race down the hill towards the lake. "It's what I want to do when I'm older. I don't want a job I won't have fun at."

Who knows what will happen in 10 years. Right now, Alicia doesn't dream about one day becoming as famous as Shania

Twain. But she does aspire to having as fine a voice as Shania's – and Tracy Prescott's, who's half mother figure with her grilled cheese sandwiches and supportive hugs, half a figure of adulation as she stands on stage and silences the audience with the power of her voice.

If Alicia is going to be successful – and many people, including the Prescotts, believe she will be – it's because Alicia wants to sing the best she can, and feels her best is always around the next note. As her own harshest critic, she has only her own high standards and expectations to measure herself against. However, she now has the thrill of working in a studio as an added motivation. Recording the Snoopy CD was scary, fun and exciting, and as bungee cord manufacturers know, that's a very compelling combination.

"Singing is just what Alicia does," says her mother Nancy. And girl, can Alicia Sales sing.



Casey Ogle, left, is Alicia's number one fan – and also her unofficial stage manager, helping Alicia develop her stage presence. When Alicia's not singing, the girls have fun simple acting the way girls their age do



Randall and Tracy (nee Brown) Prescott are a dynamic team in country music

ONTARIO DRUG BENEFITS IMPORTANT News for Seniors and People Receiving Social Assistance

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by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Victor Knap gets ready to open the latch on a cardboard box, excited as a school boy as he anticipates the pleasure of showing his visitor one of his miniature creations.

"You've never seen anything like this before," he says, and seconds later, his visitor's reaction reveals that he's right.

Inside the box is an ornate, gold- and jewel-embossed replica of the "upper room" where Jesus and His disciples held their Last Supper. The table is set with gold cups and plates, the chairs bejewelled, the candles glowing. There is an exuberant mood to the room, which could fit inside a couple of shoe boxes, although you wouldn't call it festive.

Eager to show you what's in his other boxes in the front porch of his Grass Lake home, Mr. Knap opens the latch on one of his other miniatures. This time he pulls out a throne built with jewels and gold on a three-tier platform, angels trumpeting the news that this is "the throne He left, To earth he came, to save mankind."

Then he pulls out another box, about half the size. Half the size maybe, but equally ornate. Knowing that his piece-de-resis-

stance is at hand, he pulls out another box, half the size yet again. Shaking his head as if still marvelling he could have built something so ornate, so small, it is with pride and a deep sense of satisfaction that he shows you an even smaller throne, 2 inches by 2 inches by 3 inches.

"There's a lot of patience and work with tweezers in that," he says, enjoying his visitor's reaction. Then his wife Isobel pips in from the next room "and a lot of chocolate eaten to get the gold foil."

Because as majestic as the miniatures are, the jewels in throne are really coloured plastic, and the gold brocade is really the gold foil wraps on the Rochet chocolates you can buy at Christmas. He gets the foil from friends who love the Rochets and many of the jewels from Home Town Fashions' Sheila Burk, who saves any broken jewellery for him.

Making miniatures is how he spends his winters. If he starts on one in the morning, he can be working on it as darkness falls — and still wonder where the day went. "I start and I can't stop," he says, compelled by the challenge and the resulting satisfaction.

He chose a religious theme as a

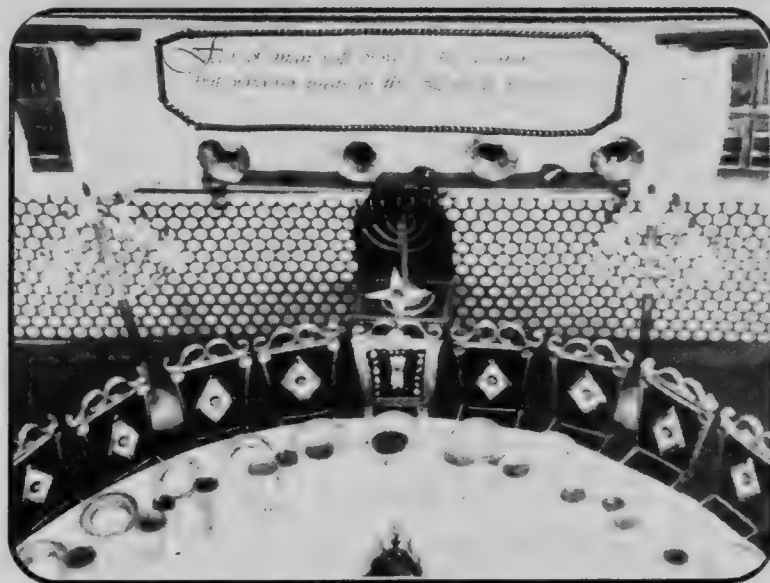
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Victor Knap displays his miniature version of God's throne. Hundreds of hours' work go into each tiny creation.

way of reaching out to people. "Why did the Lord come to this earth? To save mankind? All these things he's done for us, it's time we did something for him so people will remember." People who see his miniatures on display rarely forget them, and if they see one at one church, they ask him to do one for another church. Nearly all the churches in Haliburton as well as churches in West Guilford, Harcourt and Peterborough. He will not accept money for his creations, but he does have one stipulations — "they cannot be hidden in a closet."

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An ornate replica of the "upper room" where Jesus and His disciples held their Last Supper.

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Take off to adventure



by SUE CARR
HHSS Co-Op Student

Not only will the students of our local high school be saying their farewells to the five foreign exchange students who will be returning home this summer, but sad goodbyes will also be given to the two local Rotary Exchange students leaving Canada as well.

Grade 11 student Jammie Ogle, daughter of Mike Ogle and Lisa Robertson and Grade 12 student Jody Reid, daughter of Ron and Toos Reid, were the two chosen HHSS students who will be participating in a year-long exchange for the 1996-1997 school year.

Jammie is incredibly excited to be on her way to Venezuela.

"I hate talking about it," she says, "I get too excited. I want to go NOW!"

Jammie chose to go to Venezuela after her initial three choices fell through.

"I chose Venezuela because they speak Spanish, it's a Latin American country, and the people are rich," she laughs.

Her knowledge of the Spanish language is fairly small. Basically, she can ask for directions to the bathroom, and for "four beers please." (Not that she'll be using that phrase much—Rotary Exchange follows a fairly strict system of the "4 D's rule"; no dating, no driving, no drugs, and no drinking.) She has had four hours worth of lessons, and will be sure to carry her pocket translator everywhere she goes.

Jammie's flight leaves at 7:15 in the morning, and after a brief stopover in Miami, arrives in



Jody Reid and Jammie Ogle will soon leave on year-long exchange trips

Venezuela at 3 in the afternoon.

She's hoping to have a good experience, while meeting new people, learning about a new

language and a new culture, and having a chance to find herself.

"Here, I'm being influenced to be what everyone wants me to

be, but there, I'll have a chance to find out who I am for myself."

Jammie admits that she will probably be homesick "for the first few months," but is not overly upset about leaving her family and friends.

She is a little bit nervous to step off of a plane into a new country. Like most other exchange students, one of her biggest concerns, is, believe it or not, the bathroom. As she sits with the present foreign exchange students, and former Brazil exchange student Bobbi Griffin, the group shares bathroom anecdotes. How the toilets flush in different countries, how it becomes habit to lock the door, and, even, where the toilet paper ends up in Brazil. With all of this new information, it seems Jammie has a lot to remember!

According to other students, bathroom etiquette is the least important thing Jammie has to worry about.

"When people hear where I'm going, they say things like, 'Snakes come and steal little children there', 'You'll likely be bombed', 'You'll surely live in a hut', and 'Oh! I heard that they shoot at buses down there!'" Thankfully, Jammie doesn't believe everything she hears, and will come back alive...and tanned in 1997. When she does get back, she will be a year behind, in Grade 12.

Although Jammie's trip doesn't begin until September 23rd, the countdown has already begun (96 days left at time of publishing).

Jody Reid leaves for Belgium

on August 22nd. Her reason for choosing Belgium?

"They speak French, and I want to learn it," she says. "It's central in Europe, so I hope to travel all around it."

She has been in French courses at school in the past, but feels that they aren't totally adequate to learn the whole language. In Belgium, she will learn the full language, and the different attitudes that go along with it. Like Jammie, she has also learned a few choice phrases, but they probably won't be applied in her exchange-student life.

Jody says she's excited, but kind of scared. She hopes to learn a lot about Belgium, and their culture, and she hopes to get a lot of travelling done. There are no fears of having a bad time, because she says, "I think that what you put into it is what you get out of it."

Jody says she might be "a little bit" homesick, but she's been away from her family before, and her family has been away from her. Older brother Simon Reid participated in a year-long exchange to Australia two years ago, and Jody learned to be away from him then.

She regrets that she will only have a short time with Jess Wallace, her close friend who is currently an exchange student in Australia, before Jody leaves for her own year abroad.

And, like Jammie, when she returns, she will be a year behind, finishing her OAC year a year after her friends graduate.

But it will all be worth it.

"I want to travel the world," she says, "I'm really excited about learning about the world."

Year in Canada a little colder than expected

by SUE CARR
HHSS Co-Op Student

IT'S THAT TIME of year again. The time when students prepare for the summer, teachers prepare for a vacation, and parents prepare to go crazy. It's also a time of year for good-byes, between graduates, retirees, and exchange students.

The local high school is saying good-bye to five students who have been participating in various exchange programs during the past year.

The girls, who have been living in Haliburton and Minden for the past nine to eleven months, have a lot to say about their experiences, both good and bad, and a lot of advice to give to future exchange students.

Giulia (pronounced Julia) Coss, from Italy, came to Canada on August 30th, 1995, and will be leaving on July 5th. Giulia is an exchange student through SDS, and has been staying with the Lancias for her full eleven months.

Laura Dominguez, from a Rotary Exchange Spain, came to

Canada last September and returned home on June 19th.

Rebekka Kohli, an EF exchange student from Switzerland, began her eleven months in Canada on August 26th, 1995, and will return home on July 4th.

Maria Rey, from Argentina, began her year-long stay on August 17 of last year, and returns home on August 5.

And finally, Theresa Jago only arrived here from Australia in January, and doesn't return home until December.

Canada is basically as they expected it to be, although "it's colder", says Laura. She also adds that our country is "a lot stricter" than Spain when it comes to drinking and smoking. The blackflies are worse than expected as well and there's too much television.

All five girls can now speak excellent English. Although it was hard at first for most of them, they are adapting to Canadian slang, and our culture.

Homesickness is a factor at first. Parents were awestruck after realizing that phone bills



Exchange students Maria Rey, Laura Dominguez, Rebekka Kohli, Giulia Cross and Theresa Jago have brought a taste of the United Nations to the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School

tend to skyrocket through the roof. "My phone bill one month was \$800," Laura admits.

There are drawbacks to being an exchange student (besides the bills) that many people would not expect. It can be uncomfortable in the beginning, living with a new family. "You starve yourself!" the students say, because it's sometimes hard to open the fridge and make yourself at home. Bathroom etiquette is a hot topic; the students have

many humorous stories to share about locked doors.

Canada is a popular place, but the main consensus is that Haliburton seems to be a bit on the dull side. The girls' after-school activities include the bus ride home, and an evening of television. In their home countries, people live closer together, and therefore their weeknights are a little more exciting.

The exchange students saw more of Canada than most

Canadians have, with trips to Montreal, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa, B.C., and Minden among others.

Laura, Giulia, and Rebekka are anticipating a return trip, because as Rebekka says, "I want to see some more of Canada."

On the other hand, the girls are excited to be going home too.

"I'm gonna sleep in my bed, I'm gonna open my fridge," says Rebekka.

West Guilford celebrates the graduation of some (more or less) local students

WEST GUILFORD

News

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Every year it grows harder to imagine that those people who were just little children so short a time ago are now graduating from grade eight.

Such is the case, however and here are our (more or less) local graduates.

Some are those whose grandparents originated in Guilford, so there is a connection of interest.

Granddaughters of Mabel Bacon, Amanda and Trudy Bacon, Amanda being daughter of Ron and Sharon, and Trudy of Lyle and Beverly.

Christopher, son of Leslie and David Chumbley and winner of Arts & Phys. Ed. awards and honour student as well.

Jeff Cook, son of Alan and Heidi Cook and grandson of Delores Hall.

Nicole Cooper, daughter of Greg and Cheryl Cooper, also an honour student, great-granddaughter of Elva Cooper.

Andrea Delorme, daughter of Barb and Jack Delorme and granddaughter of Ray Scott.

Doug Fielding, son of Jim and Wendy Fielding.

Bobby Hebert, honour student and son of Linda and Paul Hebert.

Tammy Henry, daughter of Dale and Joanna Henry.

Katharine Hagerman, daughter of Shawn and Dianne Hagerman, honour student and winner of the Leadership Award.

Brian Mulholland, Honour Student and son of Brian and Colleen Mulholland.

Cassandra Nimigon, Honour Student and daughter of Karen (Mulholland) and Dave Nimigon.

Dwight Robinson, Honour Student and son of Candy and Tom Robinson.

Tanya Sisson, Honour Student and daughter of Russell and Doreen Sisson and granddaughter of Mrs. Phrona Sisson.

Kristian Barry, son of Marilyn Berry and grandson of Al and Betty Berry.

Congratulations to all from the community.

In the midst of the congratulations, sadness happens anyway, and we are sorry to report the death of Peter Flood, father of Brent and Melanie (Duchene) Flood and of Bernie and Loran (Flood) Upton.

Also, this community extends heartfelt sympathy to the family of Sinclair Russell

who died on Tuesday, June 25. The older connections go back for years over the various closer communities.

A week ago there was the omission of the groom's fathers

name in the Newell-Allison Wedding. Clint's parents are Shirley and Ralph Allison.

To return to the graduates from this area or with connection to Guilford: from what used to be called Grade 12, the following received Ontario Secondary School Diplomas. Emely Alvarez, daughter of Sylvia and George Claridge; Jamie Bacon, son of Ron and Sharon Bacon, grandson of Mabel Bacon; Curtis Bain, son of Roger and Brenda Bain and grandson of Jean Bain of Eagle Lake; Scott Delorme, son of Jack and Barb Delorme; Eric Greaves, son of Alvina and Henry Lowenberger; Derek Rodley, son of Harry and the late Cindy Rodley; Curtis Sawyer, son of Delane and Lyle Sawyer.

O.A.C. certificate at the higher level went to Ryan Goodall, son of Lee-Anne and Kenneth Goodall; Jacoba Lilius, daughter of Eric and Sylvan (Caroline)

Lilius; Simon Reid, son of Toss and Ron Reid; and Jamie Thivierge, son of Jerry and Suzanne Thivierge; Jerry Griffin, son of Neilson and Sheila Griffin; Mary Harrison, granddaughter of Keith and Geraldine Harrison who will be entering Durham's College of Nursing; Connie Houghton, daughter of Susan Houghton; Krissy Houghton, daughter of Bill and Julie Houghton; Curtis Reynolds, valedictorian, and son of Wanda (Bain) and Jim Reynolds and grandson of Ruth Bain; Dave Morrison, son of Larry and Stella Morrison.

Our congratulations to all for their well earned honours and awards, with best wishes for your future work and studies.

Despite last week's information, George and Shireen Cooper still reside in Riverview New Brunswick.

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Coboconk resident hits the road for graduation, reunion and visiting a new addition to the family

COBOCONK

News

Sheila Lake
454-2314

Walter Curl attended the graduation of his great granddaughter, Charmaine Curl, from Georgian College, June 21. Charmaine received her Registered Nurse's diploma. He also called to see granddaughter Joanne Curl's new baby at Barrie, and visited his son, Lloyd Curl and family, at Belhaven. While in the area, Walter took in the Mount Pleasant #5 school reunion where he used to be a trustee, and where his children attended school, on Kennedy Road North, west of Highway 48, in Georgina Township.

Students from many years back were there, including one from Australia. Walter thoroughly enjoyed the weekend, and regretted that his wife Hilda, was unable to go along, as she is not well just now.

Irwin and Olive Goodhand, and Bob and Elva Potter, spent last weekend in the Elmira and Stratford area.

The Mariner's meeting was held at the home of Roger and Rita Boyer.

Rev. Jim Lantz from Elmville, was in attendance.

Mrs. Lena Baker, of Toronto, spent the weekend with Chester and Marion Godwin, at Burnt River.

Congratulations to Rob and Marilyn Bennett of Trent River, on the arrival of June 3, of their twins, Julie Kay and Adam Wayne, at the Civic Hospital, Peterborough.

Joyce Kay and Hazel Young visited George and Pat Switzer at Orillia recently. Pat has been a patient in Soldier's Memorial Hospital.

Scott Robertson is doing well, following a stay in Ross Memorial Hospital.

Ruby Greer visited the hospital emergency at Ross Memorial last week, but luckily did not have to be admitted.

Walter Curl and his sons, enjoyed a fishing trip to Abitibi Lake, recently.

Best wishes for another good year ahead, to Olga Weaver, who celebrated her 87th birthday.

Coboconk was super busy on July 1 weekend, when "Batting for Kids" saw a whole lot of ball players out in our ball fields.

Best wishes to Dr. A. E. (Bert) Lauwers, who is taking on a new practice, that of full time in emer-

gency medicine at the Ross Memorial Hospital, as of July 1. Dr. Lauwers has been the family doctor for many in the area, since he began his family practice 13 years ago, in Kirkfield. Best wishes, Bert, from all of us!

The Angiers family reunion was held in Lindsay on June 23.

Adeline Bradamore, R.N., passed away last week, some 25 years having been spent in Ross Memorial Hospital. In the fall of 1971, Addie, a busy nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Peterborough at the time, suffered a brain hemorrhage, or aneurysm, that left her confined to hospital for all of these years.

She was just 46 years old when she took ill and died in her 71st year. Her family have faithfully visited her over the years and will miss her very, very much. Sincere sympathy to them all. Funeral arrangements were by Dwayne Lloyd at the Coboconk Community Funeral Home in Coboconk.

Just down the same street here in Coby, Bud Tracey also departed this life, following surgery.

A former Coboconk resident, William Hargrave, who used to live on North Water Street, passed away

on June 18 at Ross Memorial Hospital in his 100th year. Sympathy goes out to the Hargrave and Tracey families.

The first Bexley Cemetery decoration day was Sunday, June 23. Weather was favourable, and a fair crowd was in attendance.

Charlie and Ethel Faulkner, who live at Homewood Park, Balsam Lake, were honoured on their 50th wedding anniversary at the Legion Hall on Saturday, June 22. Ethel (nee Hartin) was born and raised in Kinmount.

Charlie was born and raised in Coboconk. They lived in Coboconk a number of years, then moved to Uxbridge, where they lived for many years, until their retirement.

Now they are just a few minutes away from

Coboconk. The hall was full, with many of their Uxbridge friends, including the mayor of Uxbridge, Coboconk and Kinmount friends and relatives in attendance. Bexley Reeve, Fred Brecht, honoured them, and their son, Paul, was mater of ceremonies. Fifty-one red roses, and a week's holiday in Nashville, Tennessee were presented to them. A very memorable evening for a great couple!

The Coboconk Food Bank is open July 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. That's a Thursday, at the Civitan House. I'm sure you all know what a food bank is! You take non-perishable food and donate it, so it can be distributed to those in need.

Grant and I enjoyed Sunday lunch with Bill and Denna White of Ajax,

who were at their summer home in Fenelon Falls.

Once again, there will be outdoor gospel music and ministry at the IGA parking lot, on Sunday evenings for July and August, beginning July 7.

Each Thursday morning, from 10 a.m. to noon, Moms 'n Tots, can enjoy playtime and sharing at Faith Tabernacle. Phone 454-2771 for more information.

Wilbert and Carol Switzer attended the wedding of Brian and Caroline Carpenter, at the home of the bride at Bobcaygeon, on Saturday, June 22.

Congratulations to Deb Angiers and her sister, Joyce Guiotto who shared a ticket, and won a nice sum of money in last week's lottery draw.

Nora Toole won \$500 at a bingo game last week. Congratulations Nora!



PICARD WEDDING: Jay and Melanie Picard were married on May 6th, 1996 at Faith Baptist Church in Huntsville. The happy couple is residing at Camp Kwasind, Skeleton Lake, Muskoka, where they operate Picard's Catering Service for the Camp.

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DORSET

News

Phyllis Briscoe
766-2237

We wish a happy 90th birthday to Vi Sampson of Oshawa on June 29. Ralph Raven also celebrates on the 29th.

William Bradbury will be 7 years old on the 30th. Happy birthday to him.

A very happy birthday to my favourite niece, Kim Tebby, of Corpus Christi, Texas.

The Vernal Equinox occurred on June 21 and launched us into the summer season.

It was also the longest day of the year.

We hopefully can now enjoy

the lazy, hazy days of the next few months as we are deserving of a spectacularly good season after enduring a long, cold winter and a questionable spring.

I hope Mother Nature takes heed and equalizes things but she is so temperamental, we will have to wait and see.

Hazel Sears has had a happy, busy summer so far, with a house full of family members, from the Hamilton area.

Her daughter, Norma Lovegrove, her granddaughters and great grandchildren have been keeping her company for the past few weeks.

Her granddaughter, Angela McKay, leaves for Raphaele, California in July to attend a school "Guide Dogs For the Blind", where she will live for a month.

While she is there she will receive instructions on how to handle her guide dog, which she will receive. This will be a great experience with concentrated training in how to cope with many situations, city traffic, bus travel, crossing streets, traffic lights, etc. We wish her the best.

The Village of Dorset has taken on a new look due to the Community Improvement Group, who, with the help of the township roads staff and other volunteers, have completed a few projects to beautify the area.

The Municipality of Sherborne, the business community and the public have given material help which made the project possible.

Beautiful flowers have been planted in various places.

At the back of the municipal

parking lot by Cedar Narrows there is a square timber planter bursting with colour and there is a bench to be installed in memory of Jack Clayton, donated by the Clayton family.

Some lattice work is yet to be installed and a volunteer is wanted for this work.

Four Flower Barrels were purchased, painted and planted.

One is placed at the Community Policing area, where there is also a perennial garden planted, two in front of the fire hall and one where the Tower Trail exits at 35 and Main Street.

Great work has been done by the group toward beautifying the village and there is much more planned. They are to be commended.

On the rainy work day, hot

coffee was served the volunteers and pop and cookies were supplied by Irene Clayton. It was all greatly appreciated.

If wishing to volunteer to help with future projects, dates and times of meeting will be posted on the sign in front of the Dorset Rec. Centre.

A group of ACW ladies drove to Boskung to the home of Barbara Nangle to attend a luncheon meeting. It was a beautiful day and Barb's beautiful flowers were a delight.

It was a very delightful outing and a pleasant get-together for the ladies to plan the summer's activities.

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Branch plans tea at Hyland Crest

MINDEN W.I.

News

Jeanne Sears
286-1538

Members and guests of Minden Women's Institute sang 'The Grace' at Minden United Church Hall at noon for their June 19th meeting.

The president, Jean Cox, welcomed the guests: Victoria East district president Mary McMaster, district secretary-treasurer Jean Stewart and Marilyn

Wille, Norland W.I. president, and Elaine Anderson and Edna Taylor as well as the eleven members present.

All enjoyed the delicious buffet food and a social time. Marilyn Wille was lucky door prize winner.

The usual opening, minutes and other reports were given and collections were taken for Pennies and Card Fund. Several letters were read, one telling us that Rural Community Advisor for Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Organizations at

Lindsay is Kathy Simpson.

Irene Moore reported sending 12 cards for a variety of occasions since the last meeting.

Articles were turned in for our County Fair Exhibit in August with Doris and Jean C. arranging this.

Mary McMaster then brought greetings from Victoria East District and said she had enjoyed this day, and that it is her first visit as she is the new president.

Plans were made to

serve afternoon tea at Hyland Crest by our members on August 22 and some offering supplies or their help at this.

This branch will supply soil and plants for one place at County Town Museum grounds with Jean C., Doris Grant and Jeanne S. working on this.

The meeting then adjourned until the next meeting at the home of Doris Grant, Wednesday, September 18 at 2 and our president wished we all would enjoy a happy summer.

Trent-Severn Waterways higher than average

At 92.9% the Haliburton area lakes of the Trent Severn Waterway average about 3% more than normal for the time of year.

A small decline has begun, but with evaporation just starting to affect the lakes and some scattered rainfalls, a loss of only 1.8% has occurred since last Monday, June 17. Summertime losses from these lakes average 3.5% per week. Flows of the tributary rivers are near their usual summer minimums at this time. The Kawartha are staying up well, following the large flow cut last week. They are averaging about 103% yet and rose slightly following each of the rains.

With no sign of heavy evaporation losses yet, it is unlikely that a release of stored water will be needed before next week. Otonabee River flow is still somewhat above the usual summer and would be reduced before a serious drawing of stored water was done.

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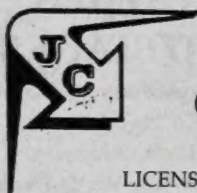
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Hyland Crest News

HORACE BROWN
286-2140

We began this week with the Swingers and the Cloggers working out and later in the day we solved the problems of the world.

After the Chapel Service with Rev. Bokkers, we had a wonderful do at the Minden Arena.

The Municipal Seniors Tea was provided to us by our Reeve and the Councillors of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

We thank them, the food was delicious.

Pearl and the girls came to play euchre. The card players all won.

Bus driver, Bob, drove us to Head Lake Park for a picnic on Wednesday.

We enjoyed the food, the ducks and the weather was really enjoyable.

I had a heck of a time wearing my hat due to the breezes.

We thank all the volunteers who made these trips possible.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We are so sorry for the mix-up, Agnes.

Our Hyland Crest Auxiliary treated us to a delicious ice-cream cone.

Of course we socialized

and drank tea at the Tea Party.

Some folks enjoyed the reading with Mary and the grand finale was dancing and music by the Grandfathers on Friday afternoon.

A good way to end Senior's Month. Its been a happy one.

We're all looking forward now to celebrating Canada's birthday.

We lost one of our family this week. We will be remembering her in a Memorial Service on Tuesday.

We have great sympathy for the family of Beatrice Taylor.



TEMPEST/BOWKER WEDDING: Krista Lee Tempest, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tempest of Ottawa and Craig Graham Bowker, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Graham Bowker of Clinton were married on Saturday, April 20, at Haliburton United Church. A celebration followed with friends and family at the Wigamog Inn. The couple will reside in the Haliburton area.

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Village mourns a special friend

CARNARVON

News

Ann McKay
489-2924

The village lost a beloved friend last Monday with the death of Sinclair Russell, husband of the late Mabel Russell.

The funeral was on Friday with the family there except son Colin in Australia. Sinclair's twin sister, Alice, and husband Allan Watt from California were here too.

Our sympathies to the family.

Visiting with Mildred Archer this week were her

cousin Bernice from Guelph and Anne Wills a former store owner from here.

On Monday at noon Ray McKay had suffered a heart attack and was rushed to Minden Hospital and on to Lindsay Ross Memorial.

He was surprised to see Alvin Cowen in the same ambulance; he had also suffered a heart attack.

Ray was discharged on Sunday.

Our prayers are with both of them.

Muriel Harrison attended the Prentice reunion on Sunday.

Cory Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Davis, and his girlfriend, along

with her parents, are on a trip across country to Vancouver.

Brother Steven is away in the north country fighting bush fires.

We lose so many acres of forest each summer.

I have had two grandsons with me during the past week: Michael McKay of Newmarket and Mark Tulk of Brockville.

Plan to attend and enjoy the Strawberry Supper, July 6 at Maple Lake United Church.

Adults - \$8, 12 and under - \$4. Sittings at 4:45 and 6:15 p.m. Call 754-1457.

Tickets for the August 8 summer dinner at Carnarvon Church are ready and can be purchased from Anne McKay at 489-2924.

Jack and Roene Barnhart visited with daughter Lynn and family in Bridgenorth.

Treasure trove at UCW sale

by Eleanor Holmes

The June meeting of the Haliburton United Church Women was held at Birch Point Lodge. Our thanks to the Caseys for their hospitality. The ladies enjoyed a pot luck buffet, followed by a program with drama and worship.

Birthdays were celebrated for our members 85 plus. Corsages and cards to recognize these special days.

On Sat. July 27th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. the UCW will be hosting a "Craft, Treasure & Trinket, and Bake Sale" to be held at the parking lot of Haliburton United Church.

CHURCHES

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Haliburton, Ontario
Fr. Michael Newhouse, P.P.

MASS SCHEDULE

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Sunday 11:15 am

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WORSHIP SERVICES

9:00 am..... St. George's, Haliburton*
(worshipping at Haliburton United Church)

10:45 am..... St. Andrew's, West Guilford*

11:15 am St. Margaret's, Wilberforce

*Church school and/or child care available



THE MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL REMOVAL OF BUILDING

The Municipality of Dysart et al requires the removal of the building known as the Orange Hall in West Guilford. The building and all debris is to be removed and the area is to be levelled and ready for landscaping.

Tenders will be accepted until noon,
FRIDAY, JULY 5, 1996 at the
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Details/specifications are available at the
Municipal Office

Donna L. McCallum,
Clerk-Administrator
705-457-1740

HALIBURTON COUNTY Community Events

July 1 - The Haliburton County Association for Community Living is launching its "FLOWERS OF HOPE" CAMPAIGN. The fund-raising event assists H.C.A.C.L. with raising money to support people who have a developmental disability live in our community. Look for more information in your mail. Thank you for your support.

July 6 - HALIBURTON HOSPITAL AUXILIARY VARIETY SALE, Saturday, July 6, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Highland Gardens Produce (next to Beer Store). Baking, crafts, used books, flea market, Christmas tables, baby's knitted wear and more.

July 7 SUNDAY SUPPER CLUB West Guilford Rec Centre. 5:00 pm For further information call Nancy Brink at 457-2222 or 754-2516.

July 8 - Haliburton County Home Support Services invites you on a seven-hour SEGWAY CRUISE on July 8. \$100 includes scenic cruise & dinner, taxes, gratuities and transportation by highway coach. Reservations 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.

July 9 - WORKSHOP: ERGONOMICS, A JOURNEY TO A BETTER WAY OF LIFE, Haliburton County Home Support Services 2:00 - 4:00pm Free Workshop. Instructor, Barb Wright, Physiotherapist. Registration 457-2941, 1-800-567-2941

July 10 - MINI BOAT RACE Haliburton District Lions Club, 7:00pm Drag River/Head Lake Park

July 13 - RUN FOR THE RHUBARB, Eagle Lake (in conjunction with the Rhubarb Festival), starts 8:30 a.m. For further information contact Ian Moorhouse, days 457-2751, evgs 457-2533.

July 13 - Stanhope Volunteer Firefighters Annual FLEA MARKET AND BAKE SALE, 9:00 a.m. Help the firefighters raise money for a new rescue truck. For more information or to donate articles call Bob at 754-3033 or Ralph at 489-3828 or 489-4229. Pick-up available.

September 9-12 - Join Haliburton County Home Support Services at AGAWA CANYON AND MACKINAC ISLAND, September 9-12. Call today to make your reservation, 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941.

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